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rench, .K. talks pen on quiet note

LONDON, Sept. 10 (Agencies) — The Franco-British summit began Thursday private meeting between French President Francois Mitterrand and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher at her official residence here.

The two leaders held talks accompanied by only an aide, ministers from each had separate discussions. Thursday's sixth in a regular series of meetings in the two countries and the fourth Mitterrand has met Mrs. Thatcher since French Socialist was elected in May.

France is hoping to speed solutions to European Economic Community problems on agricultural policy, the Common budget, and the lamb and fisheries.

The French are hoping to develop cooperation on such issues as the Calais-Channel tunnel and the money-losing Anglo-French Concorde jet, the Concorde. The meeting continues Friday, ending with a plenary and a joint press conference.

Mitterrand's 24-hour visit to London is his first foreign trips since he won power in 1981 as a Socialist who has brought Communism into government for the first time since 1940s, the new president holds views far removed from Mrs. Thatcher's brand of conservatism. But on the level, Mrs. Thatcher has got on better with Mitterrand than she did her predecessor, Valery Giscard d'Estaing.



CONGESTED: Air traffic in the sky looks particularly congested in this dramatic picture. Taken over an airfield in West Germany, the picture gives some idea of the hazards that flocks of birds present to pilots of aircraft.

Traffic snarls, transit chaos

Blast cuts off power supply to Manhattan

NEW YORK, Sept. 10 (AP) — An explosion and fire at a generating station knocked out power to much of lower Manhattan for four hours Wednesday, trapping office workers in elevators, snarling traffic, closing financial markets and creating transit chaos for homebound commuters.

Traffic lights went out, telephones went over to emergency power, and cars jammed intersections where traffic lights were out, creating paralyzing street gridlock. Traffic control agents were dispatched, and some private citizens stepped in to direct traffic to help solve the giant tieup. An eyewitness said he heard two explosions at the conked station, but the company said it had not determined what caused the blast. Four hours after the blackout started, power was restored to all areas.

Flashlights and candles lit the way down darkened stairwells for workers trapped in skyscrapers. Telephone service was switched to emergency power, but dial tones were slow in coming and long lines of people formed at downtown phone booths.

Subways slowed to a crawl with signal lights affected. Bus stops were jammed with displaced subway riders. All police in lower Manhattan precincts were held on overtime and all task force members from other



JAMMED: The Brooklyn Bridge walkway and roadway were jammed Wednesday by New Yorkers making their way home after a power plant explosion blacked out parts of the city and its subway system.

boroughs were dispatched to Manhattan.

Mayor Edward I. Koch said at a news conference that the city was bearing up well under the problems, which affected only the southwest corner of Manhattan. John Muligan, a fire department spokesman, said there were widespread reports of people trapped in elevators. He also said that officials from the Macy's Department Store at Herald Square said that its emergency lighting had failed as well.

Ellen Weiman, spokesman for the city's emergency medical service, said three persons were being treated for minor injuries at Macy's Deputy Fire Chief John Fogarty, one of the officers in command at the scene of the fire, which burned for 2 1/2 hours before being put out, said: "We're not sure what caused the explosion or explosion."

"But the explosion caused the transformer to burst its seams, spilling some of the 3,000 gallons of lubricating oil that cools the transformer," Fogarty said. "That created a percolator effect. As the oil outside burned, more oil leaked out, feeding the fire." The city and much of the northeast experienced a massive blackout Nov. 9, 1965, which lasted overnight. Another major blackout affecting the city and Westchester County to the north occurred July 13, 1977, and lasted 25 hours.

British government has watched with concern as the new French administration loosened the extremely close political link bound Giscard, to West German Helmut Schmidt. British officials say this signals a shift in France's role in the European Economic Community with greater hope for Anglo-French relations.

The European theme that the British met will be anxious to take up during London talks to which Mitterrand is joined by six government ministers. French side indicated that their chief is strengthening bilateral ties.

Mitterrand, in an interview published by *The London Times*, said: "I am a believer in the historical necessity for cordial relations with Britain."

An unofficial agenda includes the usual of major world problems including relations with the Middle East and Africa. Diplomats on both sides great divergences of opinion on these European community topics, the British minister was expected to press Mitterrand to be more precise on France's role in the promised reform of the EEC.

Tunnel to link Britain, France

LONDON, Sept. 10 (AP) — A new million pound scheme for a tunnel between the English Channel to link Britain and France by road and rail was launched today to coincide with a two-day visit by President Francois Mitterrand.

The \$8.6 billion plan is the brainchild of MacGregor, chairman of the state-run St. Nicks Corp, who claims it would create 100,000 new jobs and take five years to build. The plan has been submitted to the Ministry of Transport — already studying eight other channel tunnel schemes — by the consortium set up by MacGregor. The project is expected to decide on one of the plans by the end of this year.

The tunnel between Britain and France of the subjects expected to be discussed at Mitterrand's summit meeting British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher Thursday and Friday.

By Katharine Whitehorn

LONDON, Sept. 10 (ONS) — Did you ever hear of Ockham's razor — the philosophical concept stated by a fourteenth century friar that things must not be unnecessarily complicated: that you go for the simplest explanation as long as the most likely to be right? I never heard such rubbish in my life. Things don't tend to be simple: they tend to be as complicated as they can possibly be. He'd have been a lot nearer the mark if he'd called it William of Ockham's razor-bladed, swivel-headed, electric making, radio-controlled light-weight, digital shaver.

The holiday cottage is supposed to be an embodiment of simplicity: when you look round at its Spartan neatness and wonder what you use all those things at home for. By bedtime you've sent

Beauty contest finals postponed over color

SALISBURY, Sept. 10 (AFP) — Friday's final of the Miss Zimbabwe contest has been postponed for a week following a row about whether a black or white beauty should represent the country at this year's Miss World competition.

Contest organizer Tim Horgan said Thursday the delay would give "interested parties" time to put forward more candidates. Horgan said Wednesday he had "come under pressure" to produce a black Miss Zimbabwe after all five black contestants at a provincial semi-final in the capital last week were eliminated. Four white and two colored (mixed

In Zimbabwe

race) girls were selected.

Horgan has argued that the 17 finalists from all over the country — nine white, seven black and two colored — were chosen by 16 black, eight white and two colored judges.

A statement from the company organizing the competition, Hotelman International, said Horgan would be unable to conduct the new event Sept. 18 "owing to prior business commitments abroad."

Three days before the final contest, some black Zimbabweans charged the white organizers were rigging the contest to guarantee a white would win and represent the

Rare snowfall drives Johannesburg crazy

JOHANNESBURG, Sept. 10 (AP) — A rare snowfall threw Johannesburg into a tizzy Thursday. Workers watched the flurries from office windows and playful snowball fights broke out on the sidewalks.

A skinny, six-foot snowman was built in the park near the public library, and its creators posed with it for photos. Driving was hazardous on icy roads, however, and women pedestrians had to plow through icy slush in open-toed and dodge chunks of ice lobbed by businessmen. Some people carried umbrellas. "This is getting nasty," said one housewife who watched a man and woman chase a couple of young snowball-throwers who hit their car.

"Everybody goes mad in Johannesburg when it snows," said another woman who stopped to admire the view. "It's looking lovely now. See the old bare trees with snow on them." "This is the first mentionable snow since 1964, and it may get heavier with large snowfalls," a weather bureau spokesman said.

Ignoring Middle East issue Reagan, Begin talk of Soviet threat

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10 (Agencies) — Ignoring the hard realities of the Middle East problem, President Reagan and Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin during their talks here harped on a Russian threat and pledged Thursday to "resist Soviet aggression and threats to the Middle East." They concluded their talks Thursday.

The two met for the first time Wednesday against a background of tensions and differences over Israel's bombing attacks in Iraq and Lebanon and U.S. arms sales to Saudi Arabia. But in brief statements on the White House lawn Thursday after the third and final meeting, the two leaders said they have established a relationship of warmth, candor and friendship.

Along with these personal ties, which both governments said in advance were a key test of the Begin visit, Reagan said he and his visitor had made progress on the future of the Middle East peace effort and on strategic cooperation. The U.S. and Israel would work together "to counter Soviet aggression and strengthen the security of all countries in the Middle East, Reagan said.

In turn, Begin drew what he called a clear distinction between Israel's defense and broader security interests in the Middle East. Begin said defending Israel in the event of new hostilities with the Arabs "is our problem." "We will never ask any nation to send its soldiers to defend us," he said. But in an indirect reference to the Soviet Union, he

said the "clear danger from a totalitarian and expansionist regime" was another matter and that the U.S. and Israel would plan and work together for their own benefit "and the free world at large."

Neither leader spelled out any steps they had agreed to take in the area of strategic cooperation. But U.S. officials said that the administration was not ready for specific new military undertakings with Israel. The officials said the type of close security relationship Israeli leaders were suggesting could jeopardize the still-fragile U.S. ties with Saudi Arabia and other Arab countries.

Begin Thursday met key members of Congress, who will be voting next month on the proposed sale of radar planes to Saudi Arabia. Administration officials said they were confident of winning enough votes to approve the sale.

After breakfast with Secretary of State Alexander Haig Begin plans to go to New York for the weekend. He will fly to Plains, Georgia, next Tuesday for lunch with former President Jimmy Carter before returning to Israel that night.

Begin found in Reagan an American president who was all ears to Israel's point of view but also determined not to compromise on what he considered to be U.S. strategic interests.

Summing up what he called his "man-to-man" talks with Reagan and top administration officials, Begin said that "we achieved much" and that "our cooperation in the field of security and strategy in the face of growing danger will be concrete and close." He had said after a working lunch at the State Department that the United States and Israel would reach a "strategic cooperation" agreement within a matter of days.

Egyptians vote on steps to curb opposition

CAIRO, Sept. 10 (Agencies) — Egyptians voted Thursday in a national plebiscite organized by President Anwar Sadat to give their verdict on the mass arrests of religious and other leaders by the Egyptian government.

Though it had been claimed that past referendums have always produced an official result showing more than 95 percent backing for Sadat's proposals, only a thin stream of voters went to the polls Thursday. But officials at the booths said they expected a big late turnout. The count will be completed Friday.

The left-wing Unionist Progressive Party (UPP) urged Egyptians to vote against the measures but the main opposition group, the Socialist Labor Party (SLP), did not issue any recommendations, obviously as opposition parties are under pressure. "Undoubtedly, Sadat's measures are undemocratic... this is a return to chauvinism and one-man rule," SLP leader Ibrahim Shukri told reporters.

The crackdown has resulted in 1,356 arrests, the closure of opposition and religious journals and the dissolution of Islamic fundamentalist groups. Sadat has also stripped the Coptic patriarch of power.

Among the newspapers shut down was *Al Shaab* published by the SLP. Shukri said he had applied for a license for a new party newspaper. The SLP leader said that over the past two years, his party had requested meetings with Sadat. "He has failed to have a dialogue with us... Instead he meets the Israeli opposition," Shukri told reporters.

Egypt's peace treaty with Israel has been one of the main issues between the government and its critics. At a specially convened meeting with foreign journalists, Sadat acknowledged that his measures had met heavy criticism abroad but said: "Sometimes one has to do surgery. Sometimes one has to swallow bitter pills."

Meanwhile, a new sabotage network aimed at "the destruction of the home front" has been uncovered here. *Al Akhbar* daily newspaper reported Thursday in the wake of the latest crackdown on opposition leaders.

The network was headed by an Egyptian student living in London who handed out leaflets to Egyptian diplomatic missions abroad and Egyptian residents abroad on "The Danger Faced by Islam in Egypt," the paper said.

The student was arrested at Cairo airport while in possession of leaflets he intended to hand out in Egyptian universities. No date was given for arrest, but he was said to have been charged with attempting to "damage Egyptian interests."

BA economy hits 9,000 workers

LONDON, Sept. 10 (Agencies) — The British Airways Thursday announced it will make 9,000 workers redundant by 1982 and instigate a wage freeze until end of September next year to cope with its serious financial problems.

The airline, which last year lost \$253 million outlined a series of economies that it said were tough but necessary to solve the worst financial crisis in its history. Passenger services will be cut by five percent this winter and BA's entire cargo fleet is to be withdrawn.

Sixteen international passenger routes from Heathrow, Gatwick and regional airports will be suspended and eight British Airways stations, including Prestwick, Scotland, and some in Europe, will be closed. Two regional engineering bases and an air training college will be closed and trainee intakes suspended. Further cuts will also be made in administrative services, the company said.

The staff cutback represents 16 percent of the 55,000 workforce.

Indian minister dubbed corrupt

NEW DELHI, Sept. 10 (AP) — Indian lawmakers geared for a battle Thursday over the country's burgeoning corruption scandal, putting more pressure on Prime Minister Indira Gandhi to accept the resignation of a provincial chief minister accused of extorting millions of dollars from businessmen.

The Indian Express joined the fray and said the turmoil surrounding Maharashtra Chief Minister Antulay had "the magnitude of an Indian Watergate scandal."

Also Thursday, Vice President Muhammad Hidayatullah ruled that members of the upper house of parliament could make dreary charges in that chamber against Finance Minister Ramaswami Venkatarman, whom they have accused of shielding Antulay.

Antulay submitted his resignation to Mrs. Gandhi several days ago. She has not yet accepted it, but top officials of her ruling Congress Party say it is only a matter of time.

Simplicity, like an '85 sewing machine, is key to success

someone down to the village for a tin opener, by evening you've sent them back to get an adapter plug so that you can have the light and the fan on at the same time, and by morning you are trying to get them to go back yet again to buy a screwdriver to fix what you've done to the plug.

The poster showed a couple of bronzed bodies leaping into the surf with nothing but a bikini each between them. It did not show the sunglasses, towel, sun-tan cream, biscuits, book, lipstick, bottle, glasses, thing for taking hits of sea urchin out of toe, rug, chairs and all the rest of the clutter which makes it so much more restful out to go down to the beach at all.

That holidays should silt up in perhaps not surprising, since their simplicity is

packed with so much illusion anyway. But the same process goes on in real life. Machines get complicated almost while you look at them.

The sewing machine conquered the world because it was so simple — that whirring noise in the jungle isn't insects, it's Singers — and they didn't have to wait five years for the repair man because only about four things can go wrong and three of them you can fix yourself. I know, I have one that was made in 1895.

Bad for trade, of course — I mean, our family hasn't bought one since 1895 — so now there are electronic machines that do zig-zag stitches and daring stitches and cross-stitch and hemstitch. But they are quite unmendable by amateurs and,

what's worse, because the machines can do all those awful little tricky stitches, their owners feel morally obliged to ruin all their nice simple clothes with them.

In offices when you have just appointed two people to do the job formerly done by one (thus increasing your empire), someone else, to cut you down to size, will either appoint someone between you and the next rank up — or, if that's not possible, some floating character to 'liaise' between your department and the rest.

This character will then set up meetings and circulate memos to persuade himself he exists, plus a secretary to type and file the memos. There's a firm in America which keeps its costs down by having people answer their own telephones and send

replies scribbled on the backs of the original letters. It's frowned on by orthodox business and no wonder: if the trend caught on even the present unemployment figures would be twice as high.

Everything gets complicated. Compare even the underwear of a young girl — pants and maybe a bra — with the anti-freeze equipment of her elders, the vests and bodices and suspender belts. I recently had to dress and undress an elderly lady; it was like rigging an old-fashioned sailing ship — which itself, I suppose, started off as simple as a Windsurfer.

A simple law becomes complex with the cobwebs of cases; a simple action — like throwing a stone — becomes a catapult.

then a mortar and finally an intercontinental ballistic missile.

That we yearn for simplicity I wouldn't deny: we always want our troubles to have just one cause — be it poverty, psychology, heredity, lack of vitamins — for if there is only one cause, we think we stand a better chance of putting things right. But our longing for it is as vain as our longing for a lost Eden, when all you had to do was say No to the snake in the first place. Easy.

We are as far from it in practice as Diana Vreeland, famed fashion editor of Harper's Bazaar, who welcomed into her state room a friend eager to learn of the new Paris trends. Miss Vreeland — her furs, chains, coats, bouquets, cosmetic cases arched her — lifted a hand on which there were 15 bracelets and five rings. "I will tell you the keynote of the fashions this year," she said. "Simplicity."

Natsha renews PLO support

Diouf sees peace in Fahd's plan

RIYADH, Sept. 10 (SPA) — Senegalese President Abdou Diouf has welcomed Crown Prince Fahd's eight-point plan for peace based on justice in the Middle East. He also thanked Saudi Arabia for its assistance to Senegal.

President Diouf said that cooperation was excellent between the Kingdom and his country. He said that, in regard to politics, Senegal completely agreed with Saudi Arabia on major issues. "Our views are always identical as a result of our permanent mutual trust," he said, and added that "our common religious and spiritual values; boost our cultural cooperation and exchanges, especially as Saudi Arabia is the cradle of Islam." He said that "Senegal, in general, is wedded to spiritual values and attaches particular importance to Islamic civilization and Arabic language which was the via media of this civilization."

Turning to economic issues, President Diouf said that Saudi Arabia will make a valuable contribution to a Senegalese project regarding the River Senegal. The project calls for building dams for a better control of

Senegal's water resources, more arable land, and better agriculture. The project could also solve the energy problem for Senegal within a few years, he said. Saudi Arabia also helps Senegal by extending easy loans to alleviate pressure from his country's treasury, he noted.

The Senegalese leader congratulated Saudi Arabia for the great role it played to stop the bloodshed in Lebanon and said that Senegal fully supported this role along with any initiative that the Kingdom might take for peace to prevail in the Middle East.

In a related development, the Palestine Liberation Organization Thursday renewed its support for Crown Prince Fahd's Middle East peace plan. Rafiq Al-Natsha, member of the PLO central committee and Fatch representative in Saudi Arabia, reiterated Fatch's support to all points contained in Prince Fahd's plan for a just and comprehensive peace in the area.

Natsha described Prince Fahd's proposals as "positive." He said that the plan's points were in line with the PLO charter and Fatch's

political action program. "Fatch hits the points and conditions embodied in Prince Fahd's plan that showed the Kingdom's good intent and keen desire to mobilize all its potential for the Palestinian cause," he said. "Prince Fahd's points constitute the groundwork for an international drive to establish peace in the region," the Palestinian official added.

Fact is sometimes funnier than fiction

By Alan Kenney

JEDDAH, Sept. 10 — Businesses are flourishing and have become more efficient in their services here, but sometimes human nature remains the same — as was the case of a true incident this week.

A local resident called upon an electrical repair service to have his broken doorbell repaired. The company's manager assured the citizen that his company offered the best and fastest service available.

"You will be at home when the repairman arrives?" asked the manager. "Yes, I will be here all day," replied the caller.

After waiting all day, the resident became annoyed because the repairman had not shown up, and decided a call to the company's manager was needed.

But the company manager also was displeased. "Our repairman came several times to your home and he found nobody at home," the manager said in defense of his worker.

"But I was home all day," replied the irate customer.

"Well my man informed me that when he rang the doorbell, there wasn't any answer," said the insistent manager.

Quickly sizing up the situation, the resident asked the manager to remember why the repairman had been sent.

After a second of silence the manager replied sheepishly. "Oh! Yes! Well the repairman will be sent right over."

Kingdom-China research fruitful

TAIPEI, Sept. 10 (CNA) — Two large-scale and technical research programs, jointly carried out by the Republic of China and Saudi Arabia, have attained good results, according to Chinese officials.

Chairman of the China National Science Council of Executive Yuan, Chang Ming-che, particularly pointed out to a fresh water fish-raising program on which the Saudi Arabian science and technical circles attached great attention.

Naif to review pilgrimage plan with Al-Sheikh

JEDDAH, Sept. 10 — Minister of the Interior Prince Naif will discuss this year's pilgrimage plan with Public Security Director Gen. Abdullah Al-Sheikh Sunday. The plan is expected to be approved on the same day. Okaz reported Thursday.

Before heading for the meeting in Taif accompanied by top aides, Gen. Al-Sheikh will inspect pilgrimage installations and services in Mina, Muzdalifa and Arafat, as well as the parking lots outside Makkah for small vehicles and pick-ups.

Gen. Al-Sheikh said that this year's pilgrimage plan had been well studied, and described it as "flexible." For instance, Makkah residents can move with their cars in the holy city, provided they do not disturb the pilgrims. However, on the 7, 8, 12 and 13 of Dhul Hijjah they will not be allowed to do so.

During the haj, ambulance and security men will be totally at the disposal of the citizens to help them in any urgent matters. Arrangements have also been made with the Saudi Arabian Public Transport Company (SAPTICO) on the schedule of its buses in such a way as to meet the requirements of pilgrims and citizens in Makkah and the holy places. Fire brigades also will be reinforced.

In a separate development, Makkah Electricity Company has opened 12 electric power operating stations at Muzdalifa and the pedestrian road from Arafat to Mina as part of preparations for this year's pilgrimage season to provide electricity in the holy places. The company also opened a special office for the payment of electricity bills for Mina residents. Several maintenance teams also have been mobilized.

In a move to control any possibility of the spread of diseases, all kinds of salads have been banned in Western Region restaurants during the pilgrimage season.

Pilgrims total 61,989

TAIF, Sept. 10 (SPA) — More than 61,989 pilgrims had arrived in Saudi Arabia by Wednesday, it was officially announced here Thursday. This represents an increase of 15,380 pilgrims (33 percent) over the same period last year. The announcement said that 42,919 arrived by air, 17,659 by sea and 1,411 by land.

Shirawi arrives for parley

TAIF, Sept. 10 (SPA) — Bahrain's Development and Industry Minister Yusuf Ahmed Shirawi arrived here Thursday on a two-day visit to the Kingdom. He was received at the airport by Petroleum and Mineral Resources Minister Ahmed Zaki Yamani and other senior officials. He will hold talks with Yamani during his stay. Upon his departure from Manama, Shirawi said that the visit comes in the context of

consultations and exchange of views between officials in Kingdom and Bahrain on mutual interest, oil issues and the international oil market.

He will also review proposals by the recently-created Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) regarding oil policy coordination among the council's six member states, he said.

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MEDINA (SPA) — The senate of Medina Islamic University Thursday addressed cables to King Khaled, Crown Prince Fahd, who is also the chancellor of the university, and Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah, thanking them for the unlimited material and moral support to the university to help it fulfil its noble Islamic mission.

RIYADH. — Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan will inspect armed forces installations in the Southern Province Friday. *Al-Riyadh* reported Wednesday. He will be accompanied by senior officials from his ministry. He will also confer with the area commanders and inspect the housing projects for the personnel.

MAKKAH. — The Muslim World League has given \$36,500 for the renovation and maintenance of Al-Rahman and Al-Taqwa mosques in Indonesia. *Al-Riyadh* reported Thursday. The move is part of a MWL plan to foster Islamic activity centers in Indonesia and provide training for imams and preachers.

MAKKAH. (SPA) — The senate of Umm Al-Qura University met here Wednesday under Dr. Rashed Al-Rajeh, dean of the uni-

versity, and decided to renew the scholarship of a number of students studying abroad for post-graduate degrees. It appointed a number of Saudi Arabians holding doctorates as assistant professors. Preparations for the new academic year were also discussed.

KAOHSIUNG, Taiwan. (CNA) — The Saudi Arabian goodwill youth mission winding up a trip to southern parts of Taiwan, returned to Taipei Tuesday. While in this seaboard city, the Saudi Arabian youths received assorted military training, including parachute drops. They also visited a number of military and economic establishments and famous scenic locations. The mission is scheduled to depart Sept. 14.

DAMMAM. (SPA) — Applications will be admitted upto Sept. 13 for a 10-month training course on industry and trade at Damman's vocational training center — the eighth to be offered by the center. Applicants will have to be Saudi Arabian nationals between the age group of 14 and 30 years. They will also have to produce a certificate for having attended school till the fourth elementary stage at least. They will be granted a SR500 monthly stipend.

Prayer Times

	Makkah	Medina	Riyadh	Dammam	Buraidah	Tabuk
Friday						
Fajr (Dawn)	4:42	4:41	4:12	3:58	4:23	4:52
Dhuhr (Noon)	12:17	12:18	11:50	11:36	12:01	12:30
Asr (Afternoon)	3:43	3:46	3:18	3:06	3:30	4:01
Maghreb (Sunset)	6:29	6:31	6:02	5:50	6:14	6:45
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Sadat says Egypt, U.S. to hold joint maneuvers

MIT ABUL KOM, Egypt, Sept. 10 (AFP) — President Anwar Sadat announced here Wednesday that Egypt and the United States will conduct joint military maneuvers in Egypt soon.

Sadat made the announcement while discussing military facilities he had decided to make available to the U.S. to allow it to interfere against threats to Islamic countries. "I don't want a repetition of Afghanistan," he told journalists during a press conference on a crackdown this week on political opposition and religious extremists. In Washington, Pentagon spokesmen confirmed that the joint maneuvers would be held, probably in November, and added that U.S. military parts were in Egypt arranging details.

Last November, a unit of the U.S. Rapid Deployment Force conducted a two-week maneuver west of Cairo that involved 1,400 men, most of them belonging to the 101st Airborne Division, in the so-called "bright

star" exercise. The maneuver was designed to highlight difficulties the U.S. would face if it had to quickly deploy a strong force in the Gulf region to defend the area.

During the exercise, the U.S. Military Air Lift Command (M.A.C.) had to use 69 of its 234 giant transport C-141 planes and 11 C-5 planes to move the soldiers and their 125 trucks, helicopters, anti-tank missiles and light equipment.

Joint Egyptian-U.S. military maneuvers began in December 1979 and cooperation has grown considerably over the last two years. To make things easier for the Americans in times of crisis, President Sadat made available to them the Egyptian base of Ras Banas, on the Red Sea. During the fiscal year 1982, the U.S. will grant Egypt military aid worth \$1,000 million to modernize its armed forces over the next five years. The aid package will include 40 F-16 jet fighter and 311 heavy M-60 tanks.

Sadat fall nearing, Gen. Shazli says

ALGIERS, Sept. 10 (AFP) — Former Egyptian Army Chief Gen Saad El Din El Tazi, who is being tried in absentia in Cairo for trying to overthrow the regime there, said Wednesday that the current wave of unrest in Egypt marked "the beginning of the end" for President Anwar Sadat's regime.

Gen. Shazli, now secretary-general of the opposition Egyptian National Front, charged at President Sadat, with whom he broke after the 1973 Middle East war, "has never believed in democracy." "This campaign of repression, which comes just after President Sadat's trip to the United States and the visit to Cairo of the Israeli Prime Minister

Menahem Begin, shows the weakness of the regime," Gen. Shazli said.

He predicted that rather than "decapitate the opposition," the arrests would backfire and strengthen it for a showdown with the Egyptian leader. He also linked the Cairo moves with the departure of former U.S. President Jimmy Carter, who was a partisan of human rights, and the accession to the White House of Ronald Reagan, a "partisan of force." Gen. Shazli said Sadat had stepped up his anti-Soviet statements "to get the green light from President Reagan to eliminate his opponents in Egypt."

Saddam reserves right of reply to Israel raid

BEIRUT, Sept. 10 (R) — Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said in an interview broadcast Wednesday that Iraq was "reserving its right of reply" to the Israeli attack which wrecked a nuclear research center near Baghdad three months ago.

In an interview with Monte Carlo radio, carried by the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) monitored here, Hussein said Iraq had an "internationally-confirmed right" to reply to what he called the Israeli aggression.

"We shall not discuss details of the

reply," he said. "but I will confine myself by saying that Iraq had great patience and will reserve its right as to how to reply, by what method and when..." Israel bombed the research center June 7, saying that Iraq planned to use it to build a nuclear weapon for use against Israel. Iraq has said the research center was for peaceful purposes only.

President Hussein said the attack on the almost-completed French-made research center would not stop Iraq from acquiring one or more reactors.

'Must be devout Muslim'

Iran to elect new president

BEIRUT, Sept. 10 (Agencies) — Iran said Thursday candidates for the forthcoming presidential elections should be devout Muslims with clean records and loyal to the republic of Ayatollah Khomeini.

The list of qualifications as announced in a statement issued by the interior ministry and broadcast by Tehran radio also included proven administrative ability, honesty and Iranian birth. Candidates are to register with the interior ministry in a three-day period beginning Saturday. The nation's council of guardians will then determine who would qualify before a date for voting is set, according to the Iranian constitution.

The nation's top post has been vacant since President Mohammad Ali Rajavi was assassinated by a firebomb with Prime Minister Muhammad Bakhar Aug. 30, just 38 days after he won the July 24 election. Presidential elections with a 15 million vote landslide. Chief Justice Abdul-Karim Ardabili

and Parliament Speaker Ali-Akbar Rafsanjani called on Khomeini at his Jamaran residence in north Tehran Thursday to discuss arrangements for the next presidential elections, the third since the overthrow of the Shah in Feb. 1979. Tehran radio said. It did not elaborate or specify the voting date.

Khomeini was scheduled to go into a 15-day seclusion Saturday. His office said he would not receive any callers during the recess. No reason was given.

Under the constitution, presidential elections must be held within 50 days of the death of a president.

A newspaper here reported a demonstration by opponents to the regime for the first time Wednesday while Khomeini reaffirmed the close link between religion and politics in Iran. The *Islamic Republic* newspaper said some 20 young girls were arrested in the capital Monday night while preparing to demonstrate with molotov cocktails.

The Ayatollah, meanwhile, met with a delegation of imams from the eastern Khorasan province. The Ayatollah said the United States would leave Iran "alone" if it was assured that the ulema would no longer intervene in political affairs. Reporting on the attempted demonstration, *The Islamic Republic* newspaper quoted one of the girls as saying "this type of action occurred often" in the capital. Meanwhile, 24 alleged government oppositionists were executed between Saturday and Monday in a northern province and west of the capital, two newspapers reported Wednesday.

In Carbondale, Illinois, some of the more than 30 Iranian students involved in a fight on the Southern Illinois University-Carbondale campus may face disciplinary action from university officials. Bruce Swinburne, vice president for student affairs, said Tuesday he is "not certain which students will be charged" in connection with the incident at the campus student center last Friday night. Several students suffered minor injuries, he added.

Campus police said between 30 and 40 students were involved but no charges have been filed or arrests made. Swinburne said he plans to meet with faculty advisers from the four Iranian groups on campus.

Talks with Zia on arms constructive -- Buckley

KARACHI, Sept. 10 (AP) — U.S. Undersecretary of State James L. Buckley said Thursday he was satisfied with his talks with Pakistani President Gen. Muhammad Zia Ul-Haq but declined to say whether he had removed Zia's misgivings over delayed deliveries of F-16 aircraft.

Last month, Zia jolted American officials by saying that the Pakistani public questions U.S. reliability because the warplanes were not being delivered as soon as expected. His regime hoped to have several by the end of the year but was told in July there would be at least a two-year wait. The matter has become a major bilateral issue in recent weeks.

Buckley confirmed that F-16s were raised during his talks with Zia which he called

"good and constructive." He would not elaborate.

The sophisticated strike aircraft are part of cash sales negotiated by Buckley in Pakistan in June along with a \$3 billion package of economic aid and military sales credits.

Development assistance and government credits for weaponry were cut off in 1979 over American opposition to Pakistan's nuclear program. Buckley told reporters before his departure for home that he did not anticipate any major difficulty in securing congressional approval for the multi-billion-dollar deal. U.S. lawmakers must exempt Pakistan from provisions of anti-proliferation legislation before the assistance program can begin.

On Cyprus issue

Rolandis in Italy seeking support

ROME, Sept. 10 (AP) — Cypriot Foreign Minister Nicos Rolandis flew into Rome Thursday for talks aimed at gaining Italy's support in the efforts to solve problems created by the Turkish invasion and occupation of nearly half of Cyprus in 1974. Rolandis was scheduled to confer with Italian Foreign Minister Emilio Colombo.

The Turkish Cypriot side presented comprehensive proposals for a settlement for the first time last month. The Greek-Cypriot-controlled government has refrained from rejecting the proposals, regarding them as

tantamount to formalizing the existing de facto partition of the island, in the hope the Turkish side may amend them.

Sources in Cyprus said Rolandis' stopover in Rome was designed to brief the Italian government on the latest developments and seek Italian and NATO support to persuade Turkey, which keeps an occupation force on the island, to make the proposals more acceptable to the Greek-Cypriote side. Rolandis was also expected to renew efforts for closer association of Cyprus with the European Economic Community.

Kabul protesters fired on; 4 hurt

ISLAMABAD Sept. 10 (R) — Street protests erupted in the Afghan capital of Kabul this week, including one in which four persons were wounded when police opened fire, diplomatic sources said here Thursday.

The demonstrations, involving many women, were apparently in protest against last Monday's government decision to call up young retired soldiers to bolster the Afghan army against rebels, they said.

In one protest by several hundred people, mostly women, Tuesday, four persons were wounded when police opened fire, the sources said. They had no further details. In two other demonstrations involving up to 500 people, one of which was within view of a western embassy in Kabul, police and armored personnel carriers surrounded the protesters and fired in the air to disperse them.

The government decided to call back into service soldiers under 35 who had finished their tour of duty before the Soviet intervention in 1979. The move was aimed at reinforcing the Afghan army, reduced by casualties and defections to 30,000 men from a force of 100,000 when the Soviet troops arrived.

BRIEFS

KARACHI (AFP) — Miss Benazir Bhutto, daughter of executed former Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, was Thursday taken back to prison at the end of her three-day parole after attending the marriage of her younger sister Sanam Bhutto here Wednesday.

ISTANBUL (AP) — A medium intensity earthquake shook the eastern Turkish district of Zaza, but caused neither injuries nor damage, the semi-official Anatolia news agency reported Wednesday.


ANKARA (AFP) — The ruling Turkish military junta will celebrate its first year in power Saturday.

BEIRUT (AP) — About 30 Egyptian residents in Lebanon demonstrated Thursday in front of the Egyptian embassy in west Beirut, denouncing President Sadat's crackdown on political and religious opponents.

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Nicaragua prohibits strikes

Emergency rule to save economy

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Sept. 10 (AP)—The leftist-led ruling junta decreed a national state of emergency Wednesday, banning labor strikes, raising import taxes and slashing government expenses, in an effort to shore up Nicaragua's faltering economy. The decree also made it a crime punishable from one to three years in jail for anyone committing what it described as economic sabotage.

It said this includes paralyzing transportation, publication of false economic news, raising prices without government authorization, striking or inciting others to strike, seizing land or other means of production and "inciting foreign governments to inflict damage on the national economy."

Daniel Ortega Saavedra, coordinator of the three-man junta, announced the measure at a news conference and said, "the situation in the country is not normal." He appealed to all Nicaraguans to help "face the crisis we are living through."

Ortega said that before decreeing the "state of national economic and social emergency," the junta had "consulted with leaders of all sectors of the country." However, there was no immediate reaction from business groups, which have recently been critical of the junta's policies and its increasingly leftist ideological drift.

The country's economy has remained shattered after a one-year civil war which ended with the overthrow of strong man Anastasio Somoza July 19, 1979. More than 50,000 persons were killed in the fighting before the junta took over, led by the leftist Sandinista National Liberation Front.

The United States provided Nicaragua with \$75 million in economic aid, but the Reagan administration withdrew it earlier this year claiming Nicaragua was secretly helping a leftist guerrilla uprising in neighboring El Salvador. Approximately \$60 million of the \$75 million had been supplied when the aid was cut off.

The decree ordered a three percent cut in this year's national budget of \$87.2 million, cuts food, transportation and other state subsidies 10 percent, freezes all government jobs, and raises 30 to 100 percent the import of luxury goods.

The decree suspends all administrative appeals against the government in the law courts, tightens up on tax collection and orders stronger enforcement of foreign currency exchange control.

Picasso's Guernica arrives in Spain

Under unprecedented security

MADRID, Sept. 10 (Agencies)—Under unprecedented police security Pablo Picasso's masterpiece of the Spanish Civil War bombing of the Basque town of Guernica arrived in Spain Thursday after a 42-year wait. Police swarmed around the Spanish Iberian Airline jet as it landed, bringing the Spanish painter's mural to Madrid from the Museum of Modern Art in New York.

Two vans under heavy police guard waited to take the painting to the Cason Del Buen Retiro behind famed Prado Museum, where it will be put behind special protective glass. Strong security to prevent any incident by Basque extremists clamped on the Cason Del Buen Retiro after the sudden announcement Wednesday in New York that the "Guernica" is being flown to Spain.

Culture Minister Inigo Cavero was aboard the Iberian Boeing 747 jumbo jet, renamed for the flight "Lope de Vega" after the 17th century Spanish author — bringing the work of art Picasso said would never be given to Spain until the country was a democracy.

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The famous painting packed in a crate 4.5 meters (14 feet) long, 3 meters (9 feet) wide and 1.7 meters (5 feet) high and weighing a ton was unloaded about 45 minutes after the plane landed. The crate was immediately placed in a van guarded by the paramilitary civil guards. A crowd of about 200 Spaniards stood outside the building behind police. Although the painting is known and recognized by virtually every Spaniard, few have seen the original.

The painting will go on public view here for the first time on Oct. 25, the centenary of Picasso's birth in the southern Spanish port of Malaga. It will be shown in the main room of the Cason Del Buen Retiro, an annex some 150 meters from the main museum which houses a collection of 19th century paintings and sculpture. Sixty-two preliminary studies, sketches and drawings, accompanied the painting. The painting's arrival is front-page news here Thursday in every newspaper except the neo-fascist *El Aleanzor*.

U.K. union adopts opposing motions

BLACKPOOL, England, Sept. 10 (AFP)—The battle between leftists and moderates in Britain's labor movement was highlighted here by conflicting motions adopted at the annual conference of the powerful Trades Union Congress (TUC).

On the one hand the TUC supported a resolution backed by moderate Labor Party leader Michael Foot that unions should discuss pay policies with a future Labor government. Then the TUC gave massive support to a motion from Communist union leader Ken Gill opposing any trade union moves toward moderating pay claims. This motion had the backing of Tony Benn.

The left also won another important victory by shepherding through a resolution calling for Britain's withdrawal from the European Common Market without first having a referendum on the issue.

The internal splits in the Labor Party were obvious throughout the third day of the conference. TUC Secretary-General Len Murray kept attacks on Britain's Conservative government in the background by insisting that the labor movement and a future Labor government should reach an "understanding" on economic realities.

But Murray was fiercely opposed by the powerful two-million-member Transport and General Workers Union (TGWU) which is hostile to any union moderation, even under a labor government. Observers saw the day generally as a setback for Foot. They saw his credibility with the electorate suffering to the extent that the Labor Party would not guarantee social peace if it returned to power.

Diana Ross disc remains on top

For fifth straight week

NEW YORK, Sept. 10 (AP)—"Endless Love" is the name of the tune, and endless love is what the fans apparently have for the Diana Ross-Lionel Richie disc which enjoyed a fifth straight week Wednesday at the top of the single pop record charts in the United States.

Juice Newton's "Queen of Hearts" moved up one notch to second place on the *Cash Box* Magazine chart, and "Slow Hand" by the Pointer Sisters slipped one spot to third. Still climbing fast on the chart was "Stop Draggin' My Heart Around" by Stevie Nicks, with Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers, up from seventh to fourth.

The week's only newcomer to the ten top pop list, up from 13th to 10th, was "The Beach Boys Medley" by the Beach Boys—a group of their hits from the past. As for the country and western field, "Miracles" by Don Williams took over the No. 1 position in the *Cash Box* magazine chart.

The ten top pop singles, as rated by *Cash Box*, with last week's positions in brackets:

1. (1) Endless Love—Diana Ross and Lionel Richie.
2. (3) Queen of Hearts—Juice Newton.
3. (2) Slow Hand—Pointer Sisters.
4. (7) Stop Draggin' My Heart Around—Stevie Nicks with Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers.
5. (6) Urgent—Foreigner.
6. (4) Theme From "The Greatest American Hero"—Joey Scarbury.
7. (9) Who's Crying Now—Journey.
8. (8) Lady You Bring Me Up—Commodores.

For fifth straight week

9. (10) No Gettin' Over Me—Ronnie Millsap.
10. (13) The Beach Boys Medley—Beach Boys.

The ten top country-western singles, as rated by *Cash Box*, with last week's positions in brackets:

1. (2) Miracles—Don Williams.
2. (4) Tight Fittin' Jeans—Cowboy Twirly.
3. (5) Older Women—Ronnie McDowell.
4. (7) You Don't Know Me—Mickey Gilley.
5. (11) No Gettin' Over Me—Ronnie Millsap.
6. (8) Party Tune—T.G. Sheppard.
7. (3) Don't Wait on Me—Statler Brothers.
8. (9) Some Days Are Diamonds—John Denver.
9. (11) Step by Step—Eddie Rabbit.
10. (13) Midnight Haoler—Razzy Bailey.

In Britain, the Rolling Stones, aging outlaws of Rock 'n' Roll, swept back into the British top 10 singles chart this week with "Start Me Up," a cut from their new album. The Stones checked in at No. 6, up from No. 14 last week.

Another oldtimer, Cliff Richard, the Peter Pan of pop, was close behind with "Wired for Sound" at No. 8. But the top slots were all held by young bands—Soft Call at No. 1 with "Tainted Love," Human League at No. 2 with "Love Action" and David Bowie disciple Gary Numan at No. 3 with "She's Got Claws."

This week's top 10 as listed by *Melody Maker*, with last week's placings in brackets:

1. (1) Tainted Love—Soft Call.
2. (4) Love Action—Human League.
3. (6) She's Got Claws—Gary Numan.
4. (5) One in Ten—UB40.
5. (2) Japanese Boy—Aneka.
6. (14) Start Me Up—Rolling Stones.
7. (3) Hold on Tight—Electric Light Orch.
8. (13) Wired for Sound—Cliff Richard.
9. (7) Abacad—Genesis.
10. (23) Everybody Salsa—Modern Romance.

West Germany tightens rules on immigration

BONN, Sept. 10 (AP)—The government has adopted new rules making it more difficult for asylum-seekers from outside the Soviet bloc to work in West Germany, a spokesman said Wednesday.

Many foreigners seeking jobs and permanent residence under the nation's liberal laws of political asylum must now wait two years instead of the previous one year to get a work permit under a cabinet decision made Wednesday, said government spokesman Kurt Becker.

The one-year waiting period remains in effect for immigrants from Poland, Czechoslovakia and other Soviet-bloc states, according to the decision. Becker estimated that 10 percent, or about 2 million of the workers in West Germany, were foreigners, while the nation's unemployment figure has risen above 1 million this year.

Several hundred Tamils from Sri Lanka, Pakistanis and others have been deported in recent months on grounds they were not legitimate political refugees.

BRIEFS

BANGKOK, (AFP)—India has agreed to turn over Charles Sobraj, a French national wanted here for the murder of five persons, to Thailand "sooner," official Thai sources said Thursday. Sobraj, a 38-year-old French national with Vietnamese and Indian origins, has been described by police as the most dangerous criminal in Asia. He is also wanted for murder in Nepal.

PARIS, (AFP)—A seven-year-old boy was electrocuted by a fault street lamp in a Paris street, police said Thursday. Thibault Dez was climbing over a wooden fence when he received a slight electric current from a wire along the fence, and grabbed hold of a nearby lamppost for support. Instead, he received a 220-volt shock and was killed instantly. Experts believe that the main iron supports of the fence were dug too deep and hit a power line.

PARIS, (AFP)—Jacques Lacan, founder of the French Freudian school of psychoanalysis, died here late Wednesday aged 80, sources close to his family said Thursday.

OMAHA, Nebraska (AP)—Dana R. Bullen II, former reporter and editor for *The Washington Star*, has been named executive director of the World Press Freedom Committee. Bullen, 50, will succeed George Beebe, associate publisher of the *Miami Herald*.

American held for bombing

NEW YORK, Sept. 10 (AP)—A 20-year-old man has been arrested in Los Angeles on a charge of firebombing a Nigerian diplomat's car here last week, the FBI said Wednesday. A few days earlier, the suspect, Mordechai Levy, attacked an accused Nazi war criminal in a courtroom here, according to Federal Bureau of Investigation spokesman Joe Vniquente.

Levy was arrested Tuesday night on information developed by the terrorism task force of the FBI and New York city police. He was arraigned Wednesday in federal court here on charges of firebombing, and bail was set at \$10,000 pending a preliminary hearing set for Friday.

The FBI said Levy, who is from Philadelphia, placed a firebomb that went off under

the diplomat's car at 1:15 a.m. last Friday. The car was parked near the Soviet U.N. mission. A telephone caller told the Associated Press at the time that the bomb was aimed at the Soviet and was the work of the "Thunder of Zion" branch of the Jewish Defense League. The JDL officially denied responsibility, but applauded the bombing.

The incendiary device did little damage and hurt no one. Three days earlier, Levy was arrested after leaving from the spectator section at an immigration court hearing and throwing down Blaslav Matkovski, 77, a Latvian native fighting deportation.

The attacker, who wore a JDL T-shirt, identified himself as Mark Levy and said he was a Philadelphian who attended college in California. He was given a summons to answer disorderly conduct charges.

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compact blend of speed, agility, and balance who seems to be driven by an uncanny instinct as to precisely what it will take to drive the ball around the opposition for a goal.

A London writer once compared him to a cross between Fred Astaire and an armored ship. Vacques Ferran, editor of the French sports magazine 'L'Equipe', is reported to have called Maradona "The only player capable of reversing the international decline of soccer." His public life and business matters have become so complicated that they are administered from a full-time downtown office.

In the course of a professional soccer career that began at an age when most boys are barely shuffling off puberty, Maradona has been called golden kid, the super kind, the goal kid, the marvel kid, the little prince and the messiah of the paternal. The paternal is the neighborhood where he played after a talent coach spotted the nine-year-old Diego Maradona kicking and juggling and worrying a soccer ball with a mastery unexpected in a boy so young. Maradona had one pair of sports shoes then — he is now said to own 40 — and legend has it that in the beaten-down neighborhood where he grew up, his scoring was done through goalposts made of two tin cans.

He has also been called, inevitably, the white Pele. The national soccer team coach once pleaded publicly that the young Maradona be accepted on his own terms — "Don't say now that he is already Pele and next month say he is a disaster. He is a boy who has to go through stages like any other human being of this age." But the rivalry

between Argentina and Brazil is ferocious, encompassing sports, nuclear development and continental prominence, and by Maradona's 18th birthday it was obvious to most Argentines that this graceful and intuitive young forward was potentially the best player the country had produced. There was no way to stop them from saying it: The incomparable Pele, the greatest player in the history of soccer, was maybe not so incomparable. Diego Maradona was preparing to take his place.

"I never had very many toys," Maradona says in his soft, Italian-accented Argentine Spanish. "If they gave me a choice between a car and a ball, I stayed with the ball. They could ask me to choose between a train and a ball—I would stay with the ball. I didn't understand what it meant to play with toys besides the ball. I'd finish eating dinner at night, and I'd start kicking it against the wall. I loved it."

It is dark outside and Maradona is poised on the edge of an armchair in the living room of his quinta house. About the closest English translation you can get for quinta is "country place, a second home outside the city," but that hardly conveys the full meaning. Around Buenos Aires, a quinta is a substantial house surrounded by green grass, well-tended dogs and better-bred neighbors. Maradona has a swimming pool,

a soccer field, a lighted clay tennis court, a huge outdoor wood grill and a separate house where the guests can change into their swimming suits.

His other house, which he shares with his parents and five of his seven brothers and sisters, is in Buenos Aires. When he moved in, half the city's television press corps showed up. They pressed in with their questions. What color did he plan to paint the maid's room? What did he think of his neighbors?

"The game went on being just the ball, and playing to have fun," Maradona says. "They can pay me millions of dollars, the coaches can try to fill me with their technique, but I always went on playing soccer. Nothing changed. The money didn't change me either. Because with the money I did the things I felt I had to do. No? I wanted to give a better life to my family, whom I love — give everything to them, whatever need. Everybody said I must have changed. No." Nobody has asked him if he has changed. Nobody asked him about the money.

He is bundled into a Diego Maradona signature track suit, trying to keep warm in a house that appears to have no heat, empty bookshelves, bare kitchen cupboards and a spotless refrigerator standing open and unused. It is explained that the house is not used much in the winter, but that Maradona

was relaxing there for the day. He looks tired, cold and very young, and he launches as if on cue into the topic that has become something of an obsession for Argentine soccer fans: Maradona and money. Mardollars, they call them here.

A year ago, when Maradona was playing for the professional team called Argentina Juniors, the Spanish soccer team in Barcelona caused a minor frenzy by offering Argentina Juniors a reported \$6 million for Maradona. He was 19 at the time.

In some circles, the Barcelona offer bordered on a direct assault on Argentina's natural resources, and a lot of frantic wheeling and dealing ensued. There was a whole series of cliffhangers — "Maradona sold" exclusive look at the precontract, "offer rejected" and a finale that for Buenos Aires papers eclipsed every major news story in the world: The winning bid finally came from the old Italian neighborhood of Boca, where the fans are working-class men of such ardent loyalty that a fence and a full moat sometimes fail to keep them from leaping onto the field after a game.

According to the apparently accurate reports of the deal, Boca Juniors agreed to pay Argentine Juniors a sum that totaled about \$10 million. Maradona himself was reportedly paid an additional signing fee of \$600,000, another \$500,000 four months later and \$60,000 per month, plus various per-game bonuses.

It was a stunning amount of money by anybody's standards and Boca had never been a wealthy club. It was said the team would never be able to pay it and that was before the Argentine peso was devalued a



Diego Maradona

number of times. What this has done for Maradona is rather more complicated than simply making him rich. It has made people a little bitter about him. A taxi driver, bumping over railroad tracks on the way out to the Boca Stadium, snorts at the mention of Maradona and says, "For \$10 million I could play like he does. This guy goes out and plays decently and they say he's tremendous...the problem is that it's been a long time since Argentina had a great player, and the country needed an idol."

Belgium first European team to qualify

Norway shatters England's hopes

OSLO, Sept. 10 (R) — England's hopes of reaching the World Soccer Cup finals in Spain next year nosedived Wednesday night when they were beaten 1-2 by Norway in a European group qualifying match.

Norway's mainly-amateur side shrugged off a 14th minute goal scored by West Bromwich's Bryan Robson to record their first victory over England in six attempts with goals from Roger Albertsen and Hallvar Thoresen in the 35th and 40th minutes.

England retain top spot in Group Four with seven points from the same number of matches but Romanian with six points from five games, and Hungary five points from four, look almost certain to qualify for the final stages.

England, who won the World Cup in 1966, reached the 1970 finals as holders but have not qualified for the World Cup finals since 1962.

They looked destined for Spain, however, when Robson scored some crunching tackles to send the ball into the net. But a mistake by goalkeeper Ray Clemence allowed Norway to equalize when he allowed Albertsen shot to slip under his body at the near post.

But Clemence, who has endured a miserable run with Tottenham since his season-long transfer from European champions Liverpool, was flawless five minutes later. His former Liverpool teammate Terry McDermott failed to intercept a cross and Thoresen pounced to slam the ball into the net.

England manager Ron Greenwood was philosophical at the final whistle. "We have to pay heavily for being England. Everyone wants to beat us but we are not living up to that tribute." In football you must be optimistic. Honestly I do not know who will qualify after this. "If Romania beat Hungary and then we beat Hungary, goal difference could decide. We might qualify though not worthily in some people's eyes."

In Glasgow, Scotland moved impressively toward a starring role with a 2-0 win over Sweden.

Goals from exiles Joe Jordan, who plays for Italian club A.C. Milan, and Nottingham Forest's John Robertson from a penalty left Scotland comfortably placed at the top of the Group.

They are unbeaten with 10 points from six games, four points ahead of Northern Ireland and Sweden, and five clear of Portugal who have one game in hand. Robertson played a vital role in the opened when he was brought down on the edge of the Swedish penalty area by Bo Boergesson. The Forest winger took the free kick himself and his perfectly flighted cross was headed into the roof by Jordan. Boergesson was the culprit yet again in the 70th minute when he tripped Scotland substitute Andy Gray and Robertson coolly stroked the resultant penalty past goalkeeper Thomas Ravelli.

Scotland manager Jock Stein, who incurred the wrath of the 85,000 plus crowd by sending Gray on for national hero Ken Dalglish, was disappointed by his side's performance. He said: "We should have finished off the game in the first half. I don't know what happened but it could have been a case of World Cup nerves."

All credit to Sweden for coming back into the match but our number one priority was to get the points and the side achieved that. It's the result that matters, not the display.

Belgians too good

In Brussels, Belgium outclassed a lacklustre French side to grab what could be a crucial 2-0 victory.

The 'Red Devils', runners-up to West Germany in the 1980 European championships, should now be confident of a place in the finals in Spain next year. But the battle for the second qualifying place is far from clear-cut. Belgium have 11 points from seven games, Ireland eight from seven, The Netherlands seven from six, and France six from five.

Only a fine display by French goalkeeper

Pierick Huard, making his international debut, and poor finishing by Belgium kept the score respectable.

Belgium's hero was new cap Alex Czerniatynski who scored the opener in the 24th minute and created the second seven minutes from the end. Czerniatynski made space on the left before crossing to Walter Meeuwis who knocked the ball down to Erwin Vandenberghe who crashed home a brilliant goal from 25 meters.

Wales surprised

In Prague, Czechoslovakia threw Group Three wide open when they beat Wales 2-0.

The plucky Welsh, unbeaten in five previous matches, never recovered after defender Byron Stevenson turned the ball past his own goalkeeper in the first half. Substitute Licka made the points secure with a second goal after 56 minutes.

With Iceland and Turkey out of the running, Wales, Czechoslovakia and the Soviet Union will contest the two places for the finals.

The Welsh still head Group Three with points from six matches, but the East Europeans look favorites. The Czechoslovaks have eight points from five matches and the Soviet Union five from three.

Goalkeeper Dai Davies had not conceded a World Cup goal up to the 25th minute of Wednesday's game which he will long recall. Another Panenka blasted a freekick into the Welsh penalty area, the ball bounced off Stevenson, hit the post, and cannoned off Davies' chest into the net.

Wales started the second half well and Czechoslovak goalkeeper Stanislav Seman did well to hold and histering drive from Leighton James in the 55th minute. But any hopes Wales entertained of salvaging a point disappeared 11 minutes later when Zdecek Nehoda broke down the left and crossed for Licka, who had just replaced Panenka, to head home.

Cosmos in NASL semis

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J., Sept. 10 (AP) — Giorgio Chingalia and Dutchman Wim Rijsbergen each scored a goal Wednesday as the Cosmos blanked the Tampa Bay Rowdies 2-0 and advanced to the semifinals of the North American Soccer League playoffs.

Rijsbergen, recuperating from a bruised left knee, headed the ball just under the cross from about ten feet out for his goal. The Dutch defender found his scoring opportunity at 35:18 after Johan Neeskens kicked the ball into the penalty area and a Tampa Bay defender headed it straight to Rijsbergen.

Chingalia's goal was a graceful, arching shot that went over the heads of a pack of Rowdies, descending just before the crossbar and over the head of goalkeeper Kevin Keelan.

In another match, Lorenz Ilkes and Julie Veeve scored goals six minutes apart midway through the second half helping San Diego rally for a 3-1 victory over Jacksonville and boosting the sockers into the semifinals.

By winning the best-of-three quarter-final series 2-1, the Sockers qualified to face either Chicago or Fort Lauderdale at the San Diego Stadium Saturday night in the opener of another best-of-three series.

Jacksonville scored 91 seconds into the game on a 30-yard boot by Ednardo Morasco, his first goal of the playoffs.

The Tea Men, third place finishers in the NASL's Southern Division, protected the 1-0, lead until Hilleke scored from close range at 5:12 after taking a pass fr. Kaz Deyna.

Veeve's game-winning goal at 65:21 came on a cross from Hilleke. The Sockers, champions of the league's Western Division, got an insurance goal through Willich with just seven seconds remaining in the game. He was assisted by Deyna.

The series victory was the second straight come-from-behind triumph for the Sockers, who lost the opener 2-1 in overtime at Jacksonville last week. San Diego defeated the Tea Men 2-1 Sunday night.

Miandad to lead Pakistan

PAKISTAN, Sept. 10 (AP) — The Board of Cricket Control of Pakistan retained Javed Miandad as captain of the Pakistan cricket team to tour Australia later this year.

The selection was made by a four-member committee consisting of chairman Ejaz Butt, Saleem Altaf, Salahuddin and Wallis Mathias.

The Board also announced a 16-member team for the Australian tour consisting of Javed Miandad, Majid Khan, Rizwanur Zaman, Muddasar Nazar, Zabeer Ahas, Wasim Raja, Wasim Bari, Imran Khan, Sarfraz Nawaz, Iqbal Qasim, Sikandar Bakht, Mansoor Akhtar, Tahir Naqqash, Ejaz Fakih, Ashraf Ali, reserve wicketkeeper, and Saleem Malle. Standbys: Rashid Khan, Janshed Hussain, Nazir Junior, Mohsin Khan, and Ramiz Raja.

In the English county championships West Indian Viv Richards and former England skipper Ian Botham kept alive Somerset's outside chance with aggressive knocks against Essex at Taunton Wednesday.

Richards hit 128 with 16 fours — his

ENOS AIRES, Sept. 10 (WP) — Boca plays at home there is no need to don the old stone streets and lit cafinas of southeast Buenos Aires. In the gathering chill of a Sunday in lead of winter on the southern end of the world, the only visible human is an old 1 an overcoat with a transistor radio d against his ear. It is as though the neighborhood — children, grocers, men, alley cats — has been sucked i concrete risers that surround the red green oval of the Cancha de Boca, soccer field.



ALIZER: Roger Albertsen scoring Norway's first goal which was also the equalizer to Bryan Robson's early goal for England in the World Cup qualifying match in Oslo Wednesday.

World Cup standings at a glance							How they fared							
Group Two							European Group Two							
F	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.	Belgium	2 (half-time 1-0)	France	0	Netherlands	2 (half-time 1-1)	Ireland	2
7	3	1	1	12	6	11	3	2	2	3	7	11	6	
7	3	2	2	14	9	8	4	2	1	1	6	8	5	
6	3	1	2	8	5	7	Group Three	Yugoslavia	5	4	0	1	14	5
5	3	0	2	12	3	6	Italy	5	4	0	1	9	3	
7	0	0	7	4	25	0	Denmark	7	3	0	4	11	9	
Group Three							Greece	5	3	0	2	6	7	
6	4	1	1	10	2	9	Luxembourg	6	0	0	6	1	0	
5	4	0	1	13	2	8	Group Four	Scotland	6	4	2	0	8	2
5	4	0	1	13	2	8	Northern Ireland	6	2	2	3	3	6	
5	2	1	0	7	1	3	Sweden	7	2	3	3	3	6	
6	2	0	4	7	18	2	Portugal	5	2	1	2	4	4	
6	0	0	6	1	15	0	Group Five	Yugoslavia	2 (half-time 0-0)	Denmark	1			
Group Four							Group Six	Scotland	2 (half-time 1-0)	Sweden	0			
7	3	1	3	12	8	7	Sweden	2	0	0	0	0		

Krishnan snatches set off McEnroe

YORK, Sept. 10 (AP) — Defending champion John McEnroe shook off a first-set rally to beat Ramesh Krishnan of India 7-6, 6-4, 6-2 Wednesday advanced to the semifinals of the U.S. Open Tennis Championships.

McEnroe at bay with perfectly placed ground strokes and a delicate touch at the net. The two traded service breaks in the ninth and 10th games of the second set before McEnroe squeezed out a 7-4 tiebreaker, winning the final two points on Krishnan's serve.

Then came the key third set, the turning point of the match. In the ninth game, McEnroe won five points, earning the only service break of the set. It was all downhill for Krishnan after that.

The brash New Yorker, seeking his third consecutive U.S. Open title, won the final five games to close out the match and end Krishnan's dream of reaching the semifinals.

Because of the rash of upsets in the tournament, McEnroe has yet to play another seeded player. At one point in the match, McEnroe said aloud: "This guy serves at 10 miles an hour." When asked about it later, McEnroe said: "What can I say — it's an

accurate quote."

McEnroe said Krishnan "just dares you to do something with it (the slow serve). He doesn't even try to hit an ace. It just gets in." The right-hander from Madras, India, served only one ace in the match. McEnroe had 18 aces, plus four double-faults one double-fault coming at set point in the first set tiebreaker. McEnroe said the 14 mph (22 kph) wind bothered him.

Teltscher was serving for the match at 5-4 in the third set when he dropped his serve seven straight times. His victory in the three-hour, 32-minute match, pits him against fourth-seeded Jimmy Connors in the quarterfinals.

Austin had no problems with Hanika, who double-faulted four times. With Hanika making mistakes, Austin broke her in the 10th game to capture the first set, and broke her serve again in the sixth game of the second set.

German girl sinks own European mark

IT, Yugoslavia, Sept. 10 (AFP) — Two new records — The women's 400 m freestyle and the men's 4x 100 m relay — were set Wednesday as East German and swimmers continued to dominate the Swimming Championships here.

Typic champion Ines Diers of East Germany powered through the women's 400 style final in 4 mins 08.58 secs, shaving a second off a record set by Diers at the Moscow Games. European recordman Sergei Dopliakov of the Soviet Union gave his trainer a scare earlier Wednesday when he finished eighth and last in the men's 200 m freestyle heats. But he redeemed his poor performance by taking the title in time of 1 min 51.23 secs this evening. Michael Soderlund of Sweden, setting a new national record, placed second.

Alexei Markovski of the Soviet Union beat Olympic champion Per Arvidsson of Sweden for the men's 100 m butterfly title. West Germany's Michael Gross finished third, but was disqualified for failing to touch the pool edge with both hands. The Soviet Union now lead the champion-

ships with 10 gold medals, followed by East Germany with 8, and Sweden with one.

Ute Geweniger races for her third gold medal Thursday and only the Soviet Union's Larisa Belokon and Britain's Suki Brownson seem able to stop her getting it.

The East German student, who has won the 100 meters breast stroke and butterfly championships already this week, has swum the 200 breaststroke two seconds faster than either of his rivals. But they are more rested and might cause the upset of the meet.

Geweniger already holds two world records, but the two minute 28.36 mark for the 200 m breaststroke, held by the Soviet Union's Lina Kacite since 1979, still appears beyond her.

The East German domination of the women's events — they have won all seven settled so far—may end earlier as Romania's Carmen Bunescu is the fastest backstroke in Europe, this year and seems to be swimming much better than East Germany's challengers in the 100 m.



NO SMOOTH SAILING: It wasn't all roses for McEnroe as he struggles to defeat Ramesh Krishnan to gain the semifinals of the U.S. Open Wednesday.

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IRA squads tighten grip on ghettos

By Patrick Bishop

Underground lake in Sahara

By John Gretton

LONDON — Discovery of a vast underground lake near Smara could significantly raise the stakes in the struggle between Morocco and the Algerian-backed Polisario guerrillas for possession of the Western Sahara.

Reports from Morocco, which controls the area, indicate that three drill-holes are capable of producing 4,500 tons of water a day. Abdul Aziz Benani, chief of staff for the Sahara Region in the Moroccan Army, has been quoted as saying that 'thousands of hectares are now going to be able to support life.'

Before this discovery the only resource that could give any semblance of economic viability to this desert territory consisted of the phosphate reserves at Bu Craa, among the largest in the world.

To protect the water supplies, the Moroccan Army has been extending its defensive wall south-west of Smara and Bu Craa. Polisario guerrillas continue to attack the wall at various points, but without any notable successes. Behind the wall the Moroccans have opened up all the main roads linking the territory to Morocco proper to civilian traffic.

No date has been fixed for the referendum on the future of the territory. King Hassan of Morocco agreed to the referendum in dramatic gesture at the Organization of African Unity summit in June. A sub-committee of the OAU meeting last month in Nairobi laid down ground rules, although these have still to be accepted by Morocco and Polisario.

A crucial point concerns the question of who has the right to vote. Morocco wants to limit it to an updating of the 1974 census carried out by Spain just before handing over the territory to Morocco and Mauritania.

The OAU, however, in a reference to the Polisario supporters housed in camps in Algeria near Tindouf, is insisting that voting rights be extended to the inhabitants of refugee camps recognized by the U.N. High Commission for Refugees.

Including the 74,000 in the Spanish census, this would bring the total to 230,000. This is the first time that any official body has put a figure of the numbers of refugees in the Polisario camps. (ONS)

BELFAST —

Early last week a 19-year-old youth was found lying on a patch of wasteland in Andersonstown, West Belfast, with bullet wounds in both legs. Later in the day, the Provisional IRA claimed responsibility for the shooting. It was carried out, they said, as punishment for 'anti-social behavior.'

After a period of relative quiet, the Provisional kneecapping squads are busy again. With the increased flow of sympathy and recruits that has followed from the hunger strike campaign, they have tightened their grip on the Catholic ghettos to the extent that they now police considerable areas of the city where the Royal Ulster Constabulary rarely intervenes.

One Saturday night last month the Provos kneecapped seven men in one 90-minute spate of punishments around the city for causing 'hardship and suffering to the republican people.'

The RUC denies that it is ignoring Catholic areas. A spokesman said: 'There is plenty of police activity in West Belfast.'

Last year, 5,097 crimes including violence, burglary, robbery and theft, were reported in B division which covers Catholic West Belfast, of which 479 were cleared up. This compares with 3,287 crimes in E division, covering largely Protestant East Belfast, of which 843 were solved.

But many Catholic now return to the IRA rather than the police to seek redress against robbery, assault and rape. The boast 'This is Provisional' found on walls around the city is truer than it has been for a long time.

The Provisionals say that the current shootings are to combat a wave of crime in the Catholic areas by 'hood.' Last week a Provisional number described the IRA's punishment code to me in detail.

The Provos appear to divide crime into three categories: petty crime which may result in a 'kneecapping' if repeated warnings are ignored; serious crime such as armed robbery and sexual offences, which usually result in a punishment shooting; and finally crimes against the Provos themselves.

For breaking down under interrogation or defrauding the IRA, the penalty is usually death.

The Provisionals claim that for a petty offender like a joy-rider, kneecapping is used only as a last resort. Every effort is made to reform the guilty.

'We try to persuade young people not to become involved in this kind of activity,' said the spokesman. 'We tell parents that their children's behavior is creating hardship for our people. If that's ignored we put pressure on the parents to exercise control. In some cases, however, they can't.'

'Sometimes we order the offender to do some socially useful work like cleaning old people's houses.' If the offender persists there will be warnings, perhaps a beating or a death threat. Finally, he will be shot in the legs.

The Provisionals claim that they usually act only after a complaint. 'We investigate the matter to see if the accused really was involved. Then after careful checking with the brigade staff we'd carry out the shooting.' Victims may know weeks in advance that they are going to be kneecapped. The Provisionals say there is a right of appeal but few use it.

There have been 859 such shootings since 1973. The victims are usually picked up, taken to one of Belfast's many stretches of wasteland and forced to lie face down. They are shot through the legs with a small-calibre pistol.

Provisionals dislike the term 'kneecapping' because it is inexact. They say that shootings are graded in severity. Many are 'stigma' shootings through the fleshy part of the thigh.

Shots through the knee joints are reserved for serious crimes. Sometimes an offender will be shot through the knees and the elbows. The punishment squads then call an ambulance.

If the offender is lucky, he may be out of hospital in a week. But a combination of bad light, a nervous gunman and a struggling victim can produce horrific injuries. Some victims have lost limbs, others have been crippled for life and many contract arthritis from the lead in the bullets.

Rab Mollan, senior lecturer and consultant at the Queen's University orthopaedic department at Belfast's Musgrave Park Hospital, said the biggest danger is in the early stages where torn blood vessels might lead to the loss of a limb.

Despite the IRA's claim that victims are all traitors or criminals, it is clear that many are people who have either annoyed or resisted them. One man was shot in the leg recently for refusing to provide the Provos with a mechanical digger.

Others are casualties from internal feuds; earlier this year two men were executed following an IRA investigation into their organization in the Ardoyne and New Lodge areas. Nevertheless, the Provisionals' law-enforcement methods do seem to meet with a surprising degree of acceptance, even approval.

A woman whose husband had been kneecapped and will never be able to walk properly told me that the anger of an IRA victim's family was rarely shared by others in the neighborhood.

The Provisionals claim that the barbarity of punishment shooting is inevitable because they are an underground organization without the resources for more humane means. They also say that their system works and that West Belfast's crime rate is lower than Dublin's.

There is some evidence, however, to cast doubt on its effectiveness. At least one man has been kneecapped twice. (ONS)

PEACE TERMS!

Superpower role reversal is a cow disease which is spreading from nation to nation. The disease seems sometimes to be fatal when it comes to making decisions like AWACS sales, supporting Israel and intimidating Russia.

The symptoms of this disease were exhibited this week when President Reagan paraded Israeli Premier Meoahem Begin around in all the United States' pomp and ceremony in an effort to placate the nation's Jewish population. In the meantime, Begin ignored protests made by Orthodox Jews in New York and risked intimidating millions of Americans who watched the two leaders on television. Begin's aim was to present the U.S. president with mountains of statistics aimed at inflicting Reagan on pro-Israeli issues. Everyone knows how confusing some figures are and how they can easily be rigged.

Reagan is no one's fool. He realizes that what keeps big government growing is big expenditures and one way to insure the continuation of government tax bills is to support Israel. The AWACS sale, of course, would be a profitable venture, meaning even more support will have to be doled out to Israel to balance it out.

Reagan's defense spending policies are the same way, what better way to encourage tax spending...for military supremacy. The buildup is good for every sector of the United States, as are wars, they insure jobs and a good economy, so who can complain that they also result in bad feelings and killing. In Reagan's recent defence announcements he either forgot about or didn't care what the Soviet Union's reaction would be.

Soviet President of Leonid Brezhnev's response to Reagan also illustrates superpower role reversal. In this instance it was Brezhnev who put on the traditional 'white hat' and said, "the Soviet Union has repeatedly called for an end to the development of new and even more terrible types of weapons." He said his foreign policy is based on the search for a reliable peace.

Brezhnev said the Soviet Union will produce a "proper counter-balance" to any new weapons developed by the United States... and the race for superiority is on again. Of course any statement made by the Soviets has to be taken with a grain of salt due to their occupation of Afghanistan and lingering over Poland.

The question now is reliable peace on whose terms?

Saudi Arabian Press Review

Al-Jazirah and *Al-Nadwa* Wednesday led with U.S. President Reagan's commitment to Israel's security during a meeting with Israeli Premier Begin at the White House Tuesday. *Al-Medina* gave lead coverage to talks between French President Francois Mitterrand and British Premier Margaret Thatcher in London, covering the developments of the Middle East issue. *Okaz* reported in a lead story that Fateh representative Rafiq Natsha has reaffirmed Palestinian support for the Kingdom's initiatives on the Middle East problem. Meanwhile, *Al-Bilad* quoted Lebanese sources as saying that Israel intends to bring South Lebanon under its subjugation.

Newspapers frontpaged a denial by Amman and Madrid of an assassination attempt on King Hussein of Jordan in Madrid. The report was published by the Lebanese paper *Al-Safir* Tuesday. They also frontpaged Kingdom's financial assistance to a number of welfare societies in Lebanon.

In an editorial, *Al-Medina* referred to Crown Prince Fahd's statement after a meeting with the French President, and said that the statement has reaffirmed the fundamental principles on which Saudi Arabia has based its stance on the issue of Palestine. The Kingdom's policy, the paper said, is based on the political realities of the region, including the fact that the people of Palestine have a legitimate right to return to their homeland.

American spy satellites is a serious step that will help Israel in further implementing its aggressive plots against the Arabs, the paper said.

Discussing Fahd-Mitterrand talks, *Okaz* noted that, in view of France's relations with the Arab world and its stance on the Middle East crisis, France is called upon to adopt an historic stance parallel to Gen. De Gaulle's stance during the 1967 aggression by Israel on the Arab countries. France should now take urgent steps to accord its recognition to the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) and to prevail upon other countries of the European Economic Community (EEC) to follow its suit. Such an action will provide an impetus to the cause of peace in the Middle East, the paper added.

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Plan to police earth from space

By Martin Bailey

LONDON — The launching of an international spy satellite is proposed in an unpublished report that will shortly be presented to U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim. The idea is to police the earth from space: a U.N. reconnaissance satellite could help prevent hostilities by providing almost instantaneous photographic evidence of the build-up of military forces.

Reconnaissance satellites have now reached an astonishing degree of accuracy. From 150 miles up, the U.S. Big Bird satellite can pick out the make of car on a road, and even read its license plate. In 1978 CIA director Stansfield Turner claimed that from space the Americans could distinguish between a solitary Guernsey or Hereford cow sitting in a field.

The new generation of spy satellites is making the James Bond-style of intelligence-gathering increasingly obsolete. An international reconnaissance satellite would break the present super-power monopoly of what has probably now become the most important source of intelligence information.

During the past three years a group of U.N. experts under the chairmanship of French space specialist Hubert Bortzmeyer has been drawing up proposals for an international satellite monitoring agency. Secretary of the group is Liselotte Waldheim-Natural, daughter of the secretary-general.

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Struggle on air and in print

By Susanne M. Schaefer

WARSAW — Solidarity has climbed a soap box for its first congress in Gdansk, but most Poles are bearing only echoes of the speech.

The government holds a tight monopoly over radio and television. The independent union refuses to allow government broadcast journalists into the hall. As a result, Westerners may be better informed about the congress than Poles. Western reporters, both print and broadcast, make up one of the largest groups in the modernistic steel and concrete sports arena in the Baltic port.

Solidarity demanded editorial control over the news reports about the congress, or that the crews be composed entirely of union members. The state-run television and radio refused. So skeleton reports on national television, sparse radio broadcasts, reports written in government newspapers and Solidarity bulletins are the main sources of information in Poland.

"See, this is all we could show you," commented one disgruntled Polish television journalist, as a camera crewed scenes of television crews lounging in vans at the back door of the congress hall. The 3 p.m. radio newscast of the third day of the congress said, in full: "The Solidarity delegates are continuing the congress today. The discussions cover various issues."

Attempting to keep its promise to cover the congress despite the ban, Polish television showed film of the opening mass and union leader Lech Walesa's speech Saturday.

"In the present circumstances one can achieve more by not presenting the whole truth thereby allowing the government's lies to be aired. The truth will reach society anyway," said the Warsaw Solidarity bulletin in a comment on the incident.

On Sunday, 23 minutes of scratch tape-recorded excerpts from Solidarity presidium secretary Andrzej Celinski's speech were played on

television, along with a still photo of the congress hall. "The poor quality of the tape isan annoying to show to what great lengths they have gone to get the informations making Solidarity into the bad guys," commented one Warsaw television viewer.

The official news agency PAF has offered more extensive coverage of speeches and debate topics and several newspapers, such as the daily *Zycie Warszawy* (Warsaw life) devoted nearly two pages to coverage of the congress events Monday.

Alongside those reports were sharp attacks from the government, accusing the union of "insults and slander," particularly in reference to one call by a Solidarity leader for the resignation of Deputy Premier Mieczyslaw Rakowski, head of the special government commission on trade unions. Other major newspapers also carried several pages on the government's 35-page defense of its actions during the past year, in which it said it had kept the Gdansk accords by increasing wages and free Saturday and accused Solidarity of not keeping social peace.

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The Qur'an: The master copies

By Adil Sabahi

Last week we discussed the first compilation of the Qur'an during the reign of Abu Bakr, the first Caliph, less than a year after the death of the Prophet. That effort produced the first complete copy of the Qur'an, a master copy to which reference was made over the need arose. It remained in the custody of Abu Bakr, then his successor, until the latter's death when it was left to Hafsa, the Prophet's widow, who had no successor to Umar was chosen

armies were the natural teachers for the newcomers. As those companions of the Prophet spoke different dialects of Arabic, they were permitted by the Prophet to read the Qur'an in different ways which accommodated the normal sound variations that exist in all languages while in no way changed the text or its meaning. Now these variations were about to cause friction among Muslims, as each group boasted that their own version is "better" than the rest.

It is well known that the Islamic wave of conquests took the Muslims far into the areas formerly occupied by the Roman and Persian empires. The people of these areas did not want to adopt Islam when they realized the Muslims were different from all other religions. Their aim was to conquer the lands of the people, not their lands. They sought to rob others of the wealth of the land, but to remove the obstacles that stood in the way of the Prophet and his message. When such obstacles were removed, everyone was left to make his free choice: whether to stick to his religion or to accept Islam. No compulsion, no coercion, and no force could be used to force anyone to accept Islam.

Huthalifa ibn Al-Yaman, a companion of the Prophet and a commander of a Muslim army which operated in Persia, was the first to recognize the danger. He went straight to Medina and spoke to Uthman, the third Caliph, pointing out that the matter must be resolved without delay. Uthman immediately formed a committee of four people and charged them with making several master copies which would be sent to the various regions to remain there for reference. The four were: Zaid ibn Thabit, who was so successful in compiling the first master, Abdullah ibn Az-Zubair, Sa'eed ibn Al-Aas and Abdulrahman ibn Al-Harith. Zaid was from Medina while the other three were Makkans.

Using the master kept by Hafsa, the committee produced five more copies which were sent to the various capital cities in the various regions. These were Makkah, Medina, Basrah, Kufa and Damascus. On completion of the work the first master was returned to its custodian, Hafsa.

Islam in perspective

What the Qur'an teaches.

In the name of Allah, the Beneficent, the Merciful
 We have set forth in this Qur'an all manners of arguments, but most men persist in disbelief. They say: "We will not believe in you until you cause a spring to gush from the earth for us, or until you possess a garden of palm-dates and grapes, and then cause rivers to flow therein; until you cause the sky to fall upon us in pieces, as you have claimed you can do, or bring down Allah and the angels in our midst; until you acquire a house of gold, or ascend to heaven: nor will we believe in your ascension until you have sent down for us a book which we can read." Say: "Glory to my Lord. I am no more than a human messenger."
 (The Night Journey 17: 90-4)

It must be stressed that Uthman's work was received with unanimous approval by the companions of the Prophet, the majority of whom were still living in Medina. They recognized that his effort would put an end to any differences that may otherwise creep into the way the Qur'an was read and may consequently affect the meaning, or even the text

of the Qur'an.

As a result of Uthman's effort, which was completed early in the second decade after the death of the Prophet, no differences exist today among the Muslims about the text of the Qur'an or its methods of recitation. In this way the Qur'an has a unique position among religious books.

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Life of the Prophet - 23

The rift widens

Last week we looked at an encounter between the leaders of Makkah and the Prophet when the Makkans tried to force the Prophet away from the course he set for himself by offering him all sorts of worldly temptations. Had the Prophet's objectives been self-centered he would have found it impossible to resist the temptation. Refusal would have been very difficult indeed, even if the Prophet were merely a reformer who had a strong urge to try to improve the social order of his community. After all, he was offered a throne and a crown. That would have enabled him to implement his "theory".

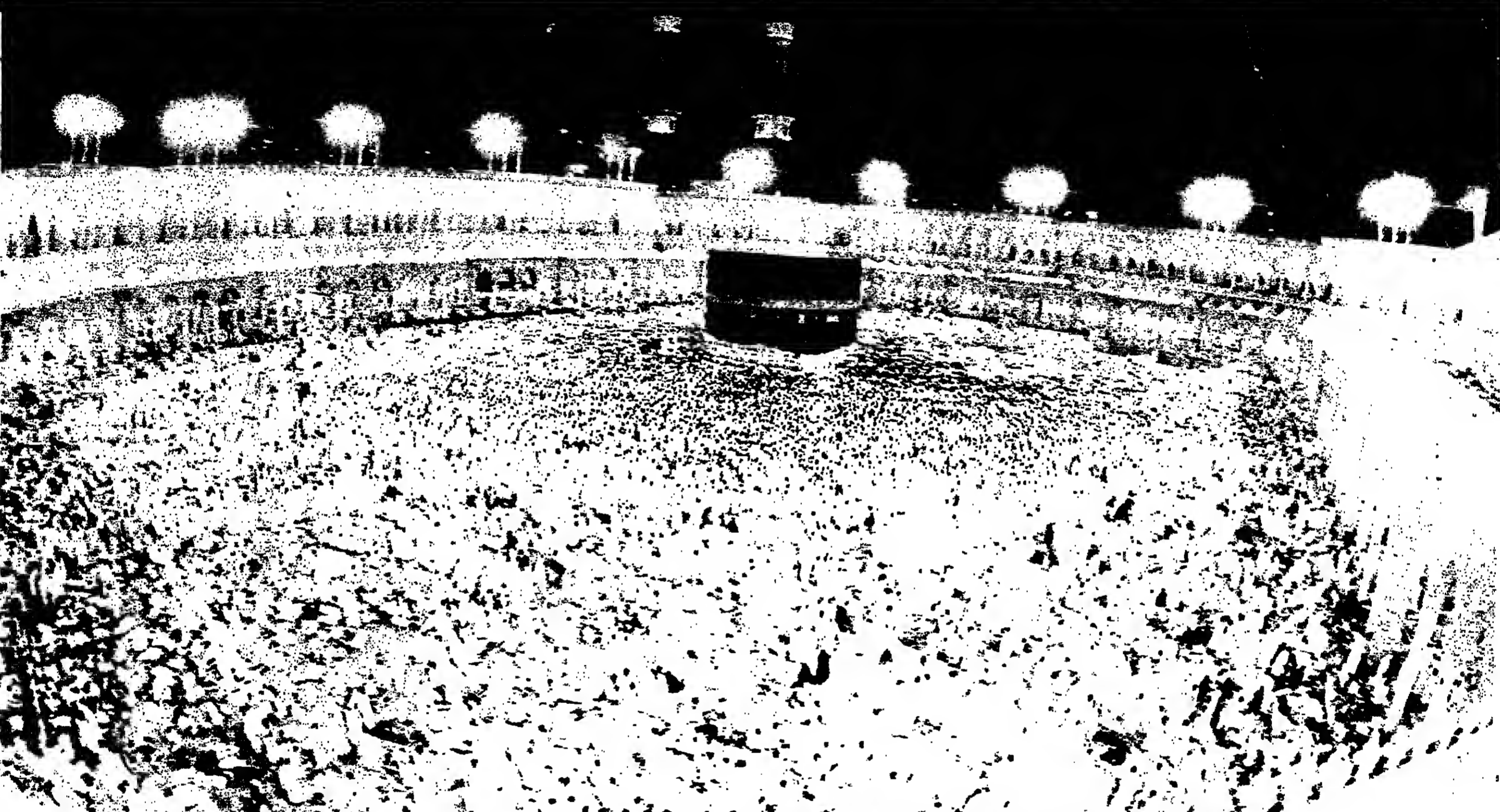
But the Prophet was not after the introduction of some changes in the social and political aspects of the life of his community. He called for a total change of outlook. He wanted the whole society to be based on faith. This meant in practice that all values, practices and laws should be guided by Divine instructions. This is the essence of Muhammad's message as well as the messages of all former prophets.

Hence it was not surprising that Muhammad should flatly refuse all the offers he was made as well as all the suggestions that he should pray Allah to accomplish a miracle of some sort or another. The proposal which was most repugnant to him was that he should ask Allah to give him wealth and palaces so that his people would recognize his high standing with his Lord. After all he did not claim for himself any special position except that he was a messenger conveying Allah's

message. As the notables of Quraish were given one refusal after another the whole meeting became chaotic. Voices were raised with increasingly hawkish expressions. Someone said: "Has not your Lord had prior knowledge of our meeting and of the things we would ask you? Why has He not given you advance warning and instruct you how to answer us? Why has He not told you what He would do with us if we refused your messages?" Another said, "will only believe you if you bring us Allah and His angels marshalled in ranks."

The Prophet felt very sad and left the place. A cousin of his named Abdullah walked alongside him and said: "Your people have made you generous offers but you turned them down. Then they asked you to provide them with evidence of life as a proof of your message but you refused that. You did not even accept to provide them with a proof that may show your favored position with God. In view of this I declare I will not believe you unless you erect ladders to climb into heaven and then come down with four angels endorsing your claim. By God, I don't think I will believe you even if you did all that." The Prophet walked away without uttering a word.

Thus ended this episode of negotiations. The two sides were more widely apart than ever. It remained to Quraish to try a new method which we will look at next week, Allah willing.



HOLY MOSQUE: Muslim pilgrims from all over the world are now beginning their pilgrimage to Makkah. The governmental efforts to prepare for the arrival of millions of the faithful by air, land and sea is a monumental task.

Kingdom prepares for annual pilgrimage

Muslims reminded of rules, regulations which ensure a serene, healthy visit

By a Staff Writer

DDAH. — As part of preparations to receive the millions of Muslims who flock all over the world to perform pilgrimage their most sacred religious duty, the Makkah Municipality has hired a large number of employees, on a temporary basis, to scrutinize all publications entering the Kingdom by air, sea or road. The move was a statement recently issued by the Ministry warning that pilgrims carrying literature of leaders, or political or ideological publications will be prosecuted under Arabian law.

The statement urged all pilgrims to abide by regulations, and warned that violators will be liable to punishment and sent back to their countries. "The Ministry has noticed that pilgrims carry with them, either through good intention, as we believe, or wishing to exploit the occasion — books, pictures and pamphlets which stress political, propaganda or ideological objectives. These types of materials have a tendency to influence some pilgrims to offend some others in a direct manner against the sublime objectives of pilgrimage, the statement said.

Pilgrim Reception, Departure

A story published by Saudi Business this week about the reception and departure of pilgrims by air, it was stated that Saudi Arabian authorities did not respond to an appeal from the airlines represented in Saudi Arabia to

build some structure near the new King Abdul Aziz airport for the pilgrims to rest and sleep — a makeshift pilgrim city. The authorities are reluctant to use the old pilgrim city, for security reasons, and due to the traditional health problems. Prince Majed, the governor of Makkah and president of the Central Pilgrimage Committee, decreed that, when the pilgrimage is over, no pilgrim will be allowed to leave Makkah or Medina except to arrive at the airport six hours before departure time. The Ministry of Pilgrimage and Endowment will control the dispatching of the buses.

Vehicle Identification Checked

In similar efforts the commander of the Pilgrimage Security Forces announced that traffic and police patrols will stop any passenger or transport vehicle painted in blue, like police cars; in black, like prison cars; or in green like traffic patrol cars. No vehicle painted with any of these colors will be allowed into Makkah or any pilgrimage areas. Moreover, the driver and the owner of the vehicle be arrested and punished.

Traffic Force Enlarged

The command will reinforce Medina's traffic department by sending it additional men, vehicles and equipment, as part of the pilgrimage traffic plan for this year. Motorcycles will be used more than ever before to enter crowded areas. Traffic men will guide pilgrim buses and show them where they

must park, and traffic will be halted at Al-Manafa street during prayers to ensure silence.

At the behest of Interior Minister Prince Naif, the Commerce Ministry's consumer department, has banned the import of flashers, sirens and other devices used by priority vehicles of the National Security Department. A notification issued after it had been noticed that merchants and shopkeepers were buying large quantities of the rotating blue and red flash light devices and selling them to private cars. The ministry asked all ports, customs and chambers of commerce in Saudi Arabia to work to bring an end to this practice.

Pavement Use Prohibited

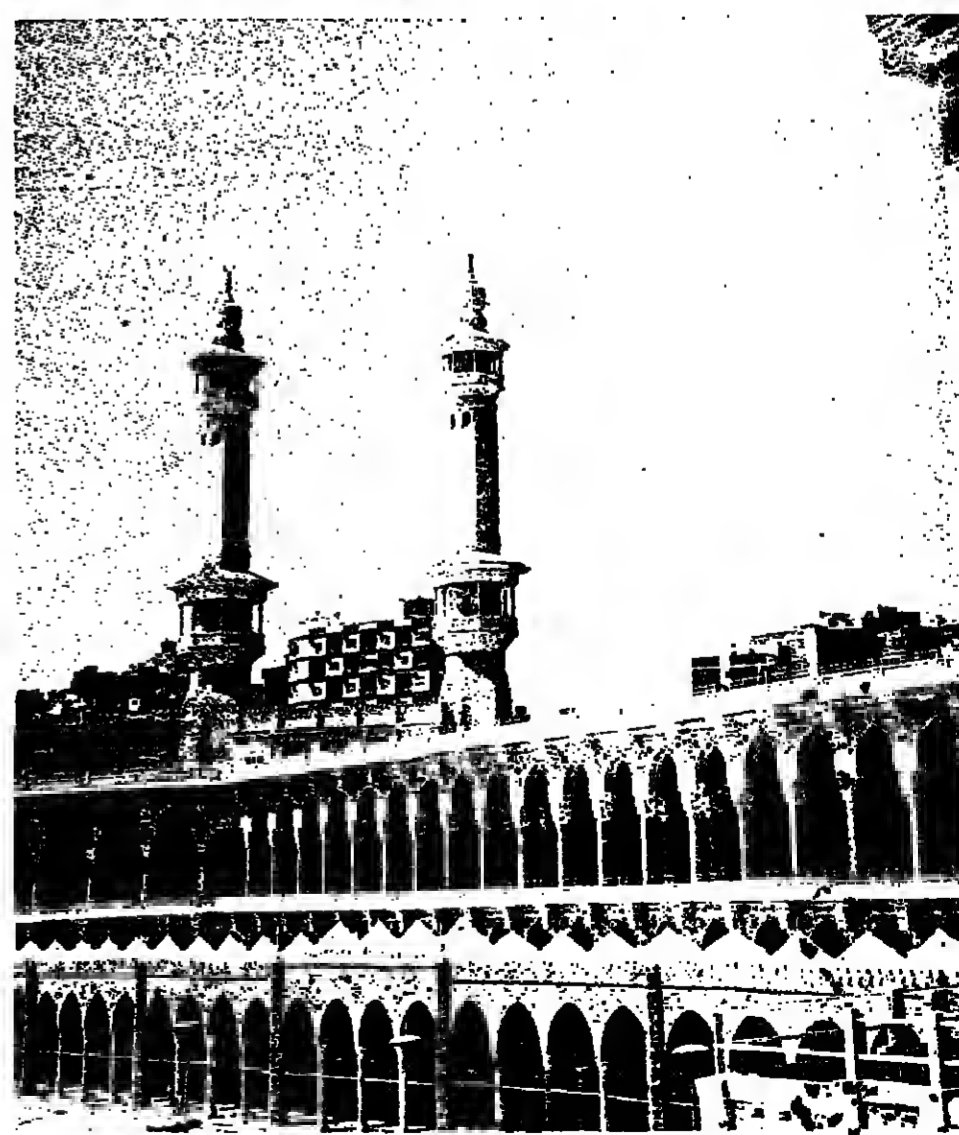
In a separate development, the second municipality in Makkah will carry out spot checks on shopkeepers, grocers shops, restaurants and exhibition halls, at the request of Prince Majed, and seize any items placed on the pavement and disturbing pedestrians. The owners of such shops will be fined SR300 — SR500, and SR1,000 in case of repeat offense. Plain clothed agents will help the squads in their task. Pilgrims will not be allowed to seek accommodation at the parking lots, on pavements, under bridges, in tunnels, at public squares or at mosques. They will be requested not to stay at the Holy Haram from one prayer to another in order to

limit crowded conditions at the shrine.

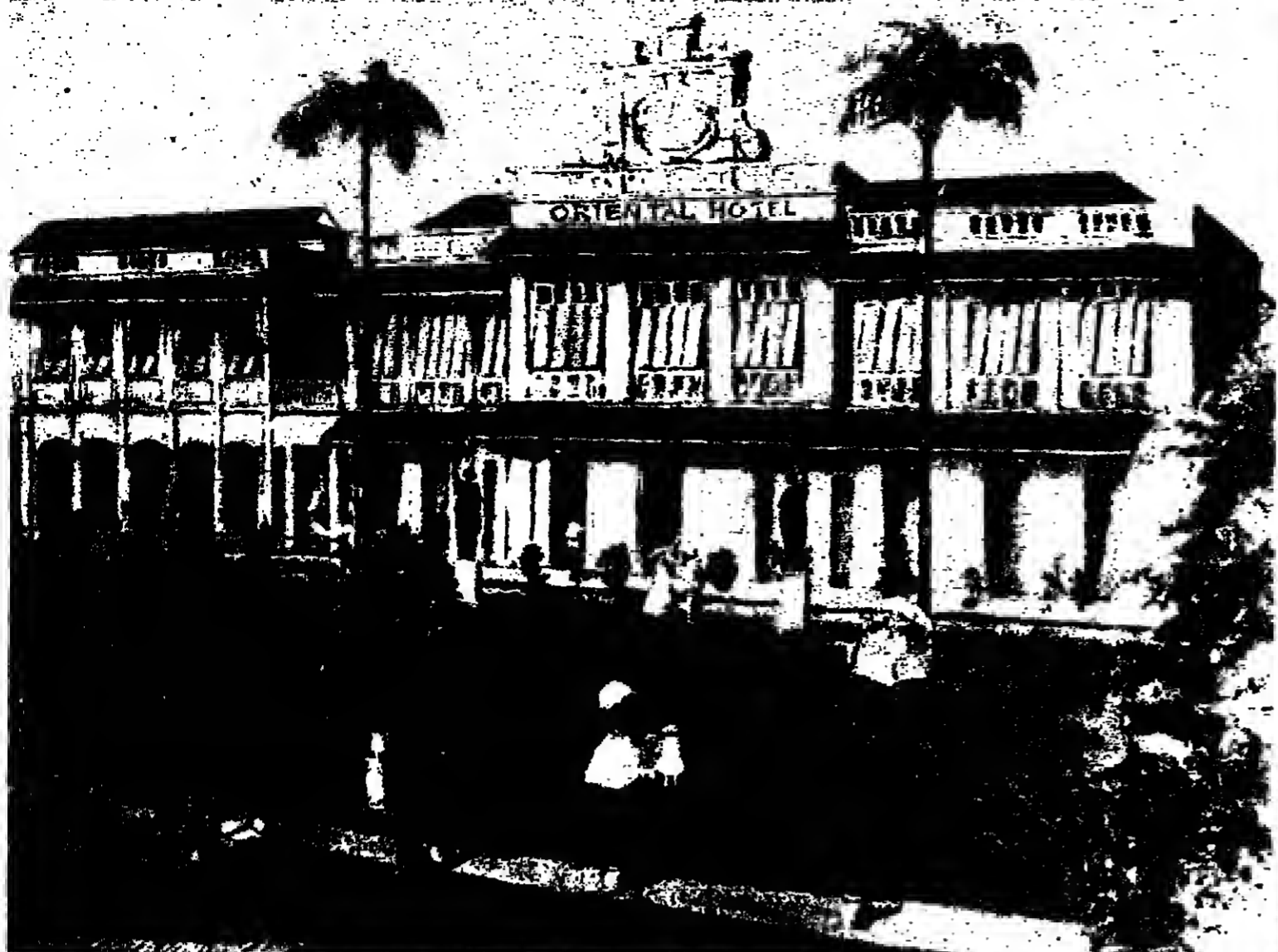
Meanwhile, at a meeting called at Makkah municipality by mayor, Abdul Qader Koshak, and attended by security, health and other officials, final arrangements for the pilgrimage, were reviewed. It was decided to prevent the entry of any sheep to the slaughter houses of Mena and Rie Thaker as from 5/11/1401H until a special slaughter houses security force has been formed. Tight security will be imposed on the slaughter houses and their security personnel will be increased to 300 soldiers and seven officers. The force will begin its functions as of September 13. The number of official cars with wireless equipment will be increased and 400 agents will be appointed by the municipality to supervise the sheep.

Sign boards will indicate the new slaughter houses to the pilgrims to alleviate pressure from the old ones. Enough search lights will be installed on mountain tops as of 1/12/1401H. The information media will convey to the pilgrims the instructions and time schedule of the entry of sheep into the slaughter houses and when water will be available at the slaughter houses (on September 23).

More than 20 huge trucks will carry all sheep that escape into pilgrimage areas and take them to special places. The refuse from old slaughter houses will be carried away and covered with earth outside Mena and Muzdalefa. The traffic will give priority to those trucks.



MAKKAH MINARETS: Two of the six minarets around the Holy Haram. The faithful are called to worship five times a day here.



FAMOUS ORIENTAL HOTEL: Bangkok's Oriental Hotel, above left, as it appeared from the exterior in 1890. It later became frequented by many famous authors. Above right, the Somerset Maugham suite as it appears today. The suite contains the author's portrait, an autographed copy of one of his works, and many priceless Thai antiques.

A few places retain East's image Oriental splendor still exists, now it's necessary to look for it

By Jean Grant

BANGKOK — A loog with upset stomach, disillusion is a common ailment of nostalgic tourists visiting the Far East. "Where," they plead, "is the Oriental splendor we read so much about?" Arabs and Americans alike wonder where their dream has gone as they stare at the glass, steel and concrete which surround them in the shape of Holiday Inns, Hiltons, and Ramadas which are everywhere in the East.

There remain, for those well-heeled travelers lucky enough to find them, a few hotels which live up to everyman's image of the exotic East. The lobby of the Peninsula Hotel in Hong Kong, which opened in 1928, retains its glorious gilt pillars and the view is as magnificent over the harbor as it was in George VI's day. And in the Philippines, the Manila Hotel is still one of the best in the world. In Singapore, at Raffles Hotel, fans sweep lazily above shady rooms beyond which a garden blooms with a thousand tropical blossoms.

Public Rooms Are Public
One of the best things about these hotels is that their public rooms are open to the public. Anyone looking halfway respectable, wares British novelist Somerset Maugham long ago, can enter a posh hotel to get out of the rain. One of Maugham's old haunts, the Oriental Hotel, is a good place to escape the monsoon rain in Bangkok. It was at the Oriental Hotel in 1923 that the author of *The Moon and Sixpence* recuperated from a bout of malaria in what he described as a "stifling room," by the banks of the muddy-brown River Chao Phya. The hotel has forgiven the adjective and honored Maugham by naming a luxurious suite after him. In it his portrait and an autograph copy of his *Selected Plays* rest on a

desk amid priceless Thai antiques.

The Oriental Hotel has been the haunt of authors from Kipling and Conrad to Le Carre and Michener. Before achieving fame and fortune, writers could always sip tea or lemonade in the hotel's *Authors Lounge* even if they couldn't afford a room there. Conrad was 30 years old when he saw the old teakwood Oriental in 1881. Today the hotel's seafood restaurant, the *Lord Jim*, is named after Conrad's hero. One wonders whether that would amuse or appall him. Conrad's hero, Lord Jim, sailed the eastern seas in the humblest of sampans; but the restaurant resembles not a sampan hut a yacht with its polished teak floors, furnished brass rails and white panneling — all of its decor a far cry from the grim reality of sampan life.

Hotel Honors Writers
Writers have always been respected at the Oriental. Journalists get a 20 percent discount and the latest TELEX news is passed on one corner of the *Authors Lounge*. Even the Thai Press Club has chosen the Oriental for its meeting spot.

Each year the hotel honors five contemporary writers — one from each of the South East Asian countries — with an award. And behind the glass doors of a pair of green bookcases, books by these recent authors join copies by writers like Tennessee Williams or Noel Coward who have stayed at the Oriental.

You don't have to be a writer to enjoy afternoon tea in the *Writers Lounge*. The sun-dappled room is an immense conservatory, rather like the Palm House at London's Kew Gardens. Towering green bamboos in each corner shoot upward to a vaulted ceiling.

While passing through Bangkok, most world figures have stayed at the Oriental.

During World War II, the Japanese High Command used it for Imperial Headquarters. It's definitely not a hotel for large package tours; royalty and well-heeled Foreign Independent Travellers (FITs in the hotel's jargon) are what this 102-year-old hotel caters to. It offers sword fighting and classical dancing during the morning. Cultural shows and a live string quartet take over in the evenings. These are open to all, not just to the hotel's guests. If you do stay at the Oriental in Bangkok, ask for a room in the old Tower Wing; avoid the new River Wing, opened in 1976, unless you prefer modernity to charm.

Honolulu's Pink Palace

Travel another 3,000 miles or so due east, and you come to the Royal Hawaiian Shara-tou Hotel in Hawaii. Honolulu taxi-drivers know it affectionately as "The Pink Palace," for its adds a touch of the fairy-tale to Walkiki Beach. The Pink Palace is curiously Moorish in style. What, one wonders, is Islamic influence in architecture doing on the Pacific shores of America.

When the six-story building was erected on 12 acres of tropical foliage in the late '20s, Arabia was considered the epitome of romance. Filmmaker Rudolph Valentino playing *The Sheik of Araby* bed millions of women in thrall, and visions of men in gut-tras flitted through the dreams of American matrons, rather as pipelines and oil flares occupy their menfolk today.

The Royal Hawaiian was originally created to be an elegant resort at a time when a lucky few could afford to travel for months. Tourists came by ship with servants and steamer trunks packed with satin linen. Those days are gone, but the hotel has succeeded in hanging onto its tradition of an elegant but relaxed resort atmosphere.



ROYAL HAWAIIAN: This hotel was originally created to be an elegant resort in the late 1920s. The 'Pink Palace' is curiously Moorish in style.



ORIENTAL HOTEL, 1981: Today, the Oriental Hotel looks a lot more modern, but much of the grounds and buildings retain their Eastern charm. The latest edition to the hotel, the New River Wing appears to the left.

A headless hitchhiker joins Malaysian ghosts

By Kenneth L. Whiting

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — A hitchhiker with a removable head has joined the crowded ranks of ghosts, goblins and other things that go bump in the Malaysian night. The new ghost is supposed to haunt the highway between Kuala Lumpur and Seremban, according to newspapers in the capital.

Appropriately, the latest apparition in ghost-filled Malaysia surfaced during the seventh month of the lunar calendar. This is when the Chinese observe the festival of the hungry ghosts, a time when the souls of the dead are supposedly released from purgatory.

Offerings of food are made, joss sticks burned and street operas and puppet shows mark the period in Chinese communities of Southeast Asia. As described by columnist Sri Delima in the *NW Straits Times*, the highway ghost story goes like this:

A lone motorist thinks he sees a disembodied hand beckoning from the roadside for him to stop. The startled driver speeds up, but later is happy to pick up an old man hitchhiking further down the lonely stretch of road.

"Thank you," says the old man. "My pleasure. I'm only too happy to have your company. I thought I saw a hand waving at me — without a body."

"Like this?" says the old man as he takes off his head.

The story is making the rounds of Kuala Lumpur, usually retold in a tone of "I don't believe this myself but you might want to know."

"And though you may laugh when you hear it, the next time you drive alone on that highway, will you not feel your hair stand on

end as you remember?" wrote Sri Delima. "And will you dare to give a lift to an old man on that road? or to anybody, for that matter."

Hitchhikers should avoid the Kuala Lumpur-Seremban road for a while because "hantus," as ghosts are called, are taken seriously in superstitious Malaysia.

A few years ago the bell ghost, "hantu loceog" troubled the town of Muar just after midnight. One published report said "Its approach is marked by the eerie howling of dogs, a thud as of a heavy body falling from a tree, a bell-like tinkle and a clawing at walls."

Superstitious people in Malaysia believe in bomohs who are supposed to be experts at making charms to promote health, love beauty and courage, to silence enemies, to boost business or cripple a competitor, to ward off evil, to counteract poison. Name it and bomohs are supposed to be able to do it.

Many educated Malaysians scoff at the art, then proceed with convincing detail to describe a recent piece of witchcraft.

Murders and disease are often blamed on bad bomohism. Newspaper libraries usually have a file labeled "spirits and miracles" containing items like:

— Forty schoolgirls in Ipoh were pushed to a hospital in mass hysteria and then the same thing happened again the next day. Bomohism explained that an evil charm had been placed in the school, several girls began running wild and affecting the whole school.

— Residents of Muar kept off the streets last December because a flying coffin, shrouded in white, made them a little nervous. The problem was probably created by lottery-crazed people evoking spirits of the dead for advice, some declared.

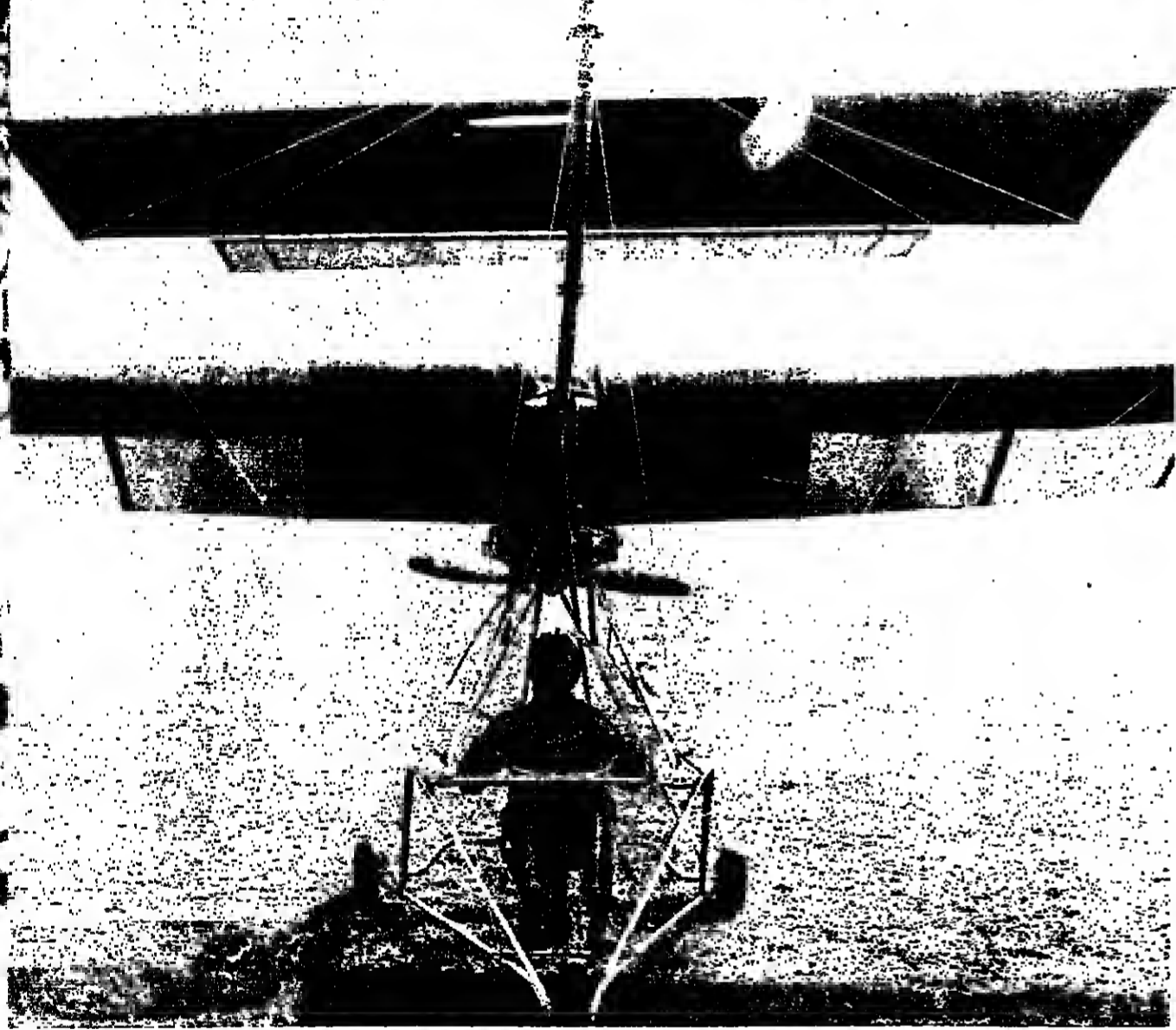
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TRANSPORTATION: This "flying scooter" was transported from France to Cranfield, England by car for the Business and Light Show. Called the Moto Delta, as shown in the photos which follow, it can be assembled in a short period of time.



FINAL ADJUSTMENTS: After the body of the plane is placed on the ground its frame is assembled and canvas stretched for the wings. Here Luc Geiser, left, makes final adjustments.



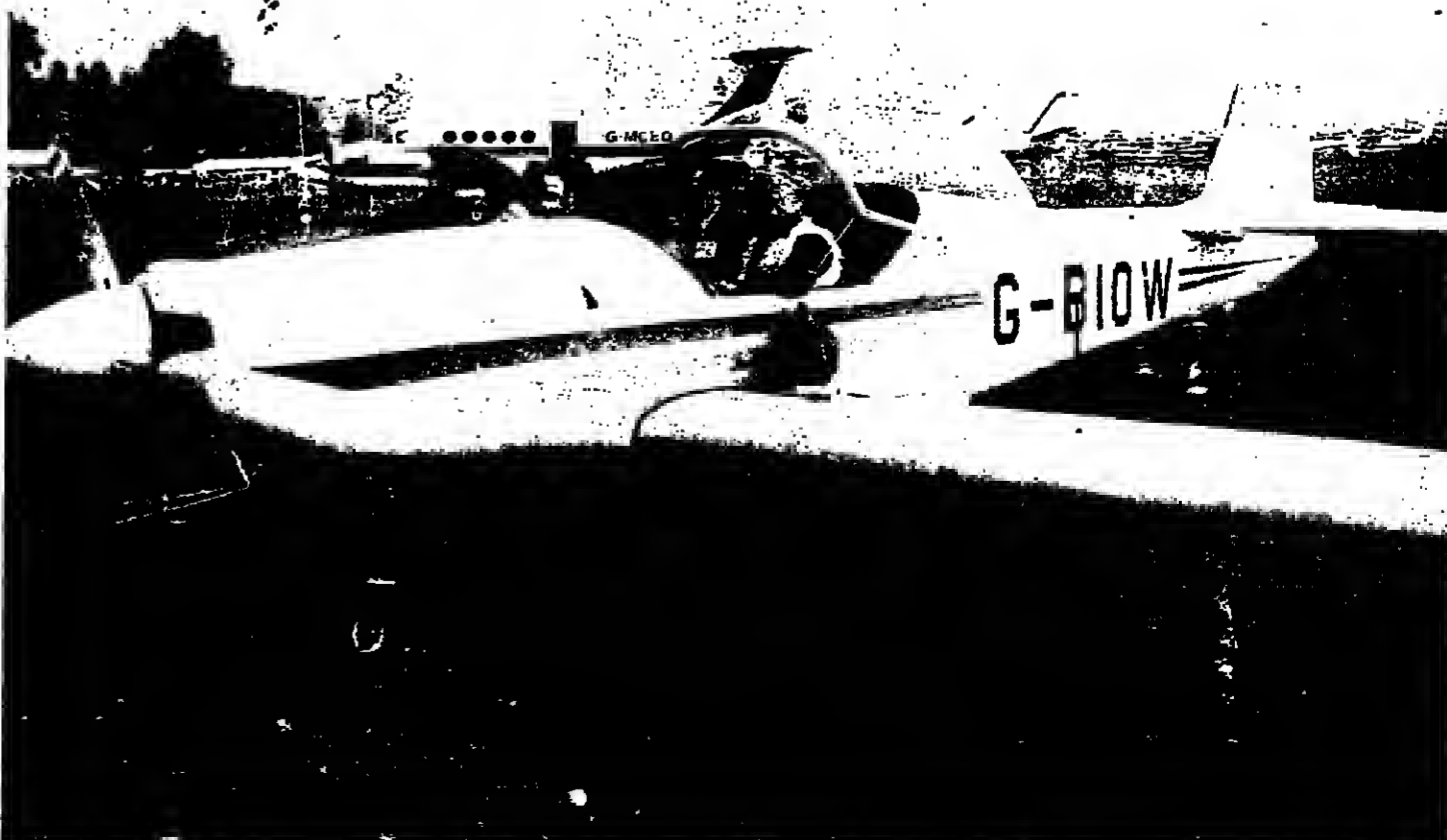
EASIER PORTABLE: Ron Twigg at the controls of the Eagle, a portable, ready-assembled plane weighing only 153 pounds.



READY TO FLY: The Moto Delta will travel at 80 km per hour and is shown here fully assembled and ready to take off.

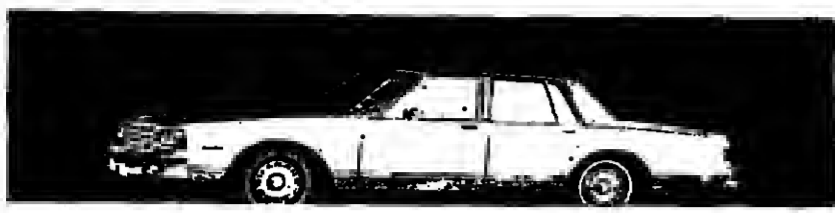


SEVEN SEATER: The Nordan Observer, an aircraft which is very light for its twin-engine capability and designed with a wrap-around windshield to make it easier to make position observations in all directions.



TWO-SEATER: This Slingsby T674 is used for training new pilots and as an aerobatic plane.

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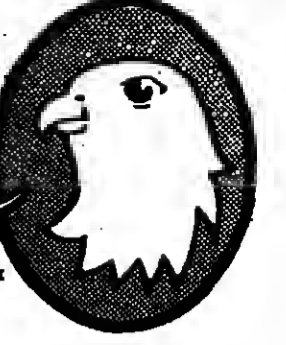


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Government attack continues

Walesa wins trust as congress ends

GDANSK, Poland, Sept. 10 (Agencies)—Solidarity union leader Lech Walesa Thursday urged the independent union to be "fast, operative and a little dictatorial," and won a sweeping vote of confidence in return.

As members of the labor federation handed Walesa a major victory on the sixth day of this unprecedented congress, Polish government spokesman Jerzy Urban and the state-run media lashed out at them. "A political fight is going on," he said. "It is between those who want to refresh the structure... and those who reject socialism, trying step-by-step, institution-by-institution to take over authority."

Urban's remarks in the Communist Party daily *Trybuna Ludu* came as the paper attacked a Solidarity support to free unionists in other bloc countries as virtual open intervention in their affairs. During the past several days, Solidarity has issued a series of resolutions challenging the authorities.

The opening phase of the first congress ended here Friday after six days of debate. As at the opening session, delegates sang the Polish national anthem and the hymn "God Protect Poland."

Walesa earlier threatened to resign in a heated argument over how the union is governed. Walesa favors a strong central authority to assert control over the union's 10 million members and told delegates he wanted to be given two years of "a little dictatorship."

"I want to win. But I will not stand as a leader of a lost cause," he declared.

"We must have a strong leadership in time of struggle when the other side is still too

Union plans TV station

GDANSK, Sept. 10 (AFP)—The independent trade union federation Solidarity threatened Wednesday to set up its own television station if Polish authorities continued to deny it space and air time in the official media.

The possibility was raised at Solidarity's national congress here when the chairman of the session announced that the union had received TV camera and taping equipment from an Austrian donor.

To cheers from the 900 delegates, the chairman announced that Solidarity was already in the television business to the extent that it was filming the events of the congress.

Meanwhile, there was a lifting of the censorship which had blacked out Solidarity's unprecedented statement of support for such free labor movements as might exist elsewhere in the Soviet bloc. Solidarity's message was carried in full in Thursday's issue of *Trybuna Ludu*, the Polish Communist party organ.

But, in connection with the message, *Trybuna Ludu* also published an unusually stern editorial accusing Solidarity of interfering in the internal affairs of other Eastern bloc countries. Solidarity was placing itself "not in the Socialist world, but against it, and in this way harms itself, and what is worse, Poland," the paper declared.

African summit to discuss Angola

LAGOS, Sept. 10 (AFP)—Eight African leaders are to meet here Friday to review developments in southern Africa and discuss the situation in Angola. The meeting, summoned by Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere, is being described by host country Nigeria as an "emergency meeting" of the six "front-line" countries of southern Africa—Tanzania, Angola, Botswana, Mozambique, Zambia and Zimbabwe. Kenyan President Daniel Arap Moi, this year's chairman of the Organization of African Unity (OAU), is also expected at the meeting.

Diplomatic representatives of the front-line countries in Lagos said the meeting was part of a series of annual conferences, but they made it clear that the situation in Angola

Bernadette arrested

BELFAST, Sept. 10 (AP)—Spanish police arrested Irish left-wing activist Bernadette McAliskey when she arrived in Barcelona for a speaking tour, her supporters here said early Thursday. They said the former Westminster lawmaker was given no reason for her arrest and the police told her they would put her on the next available plane back to Dublin.

No immediate comment was available from authorities in Barcelona. The committee said that Mrs. McAliskey was detained Wednesday night as she stepped off a plane from Dublin for a five-day speaking tour to seek support for the Maze prisoners.

She lives in Northern Ireland and leading figure in the National H-Block Committee supporting the guerrillas in the H-shaped cellblocks of the Maze Prison. Ten of the prisoners there have died on hunger strike and six others currently are fasting for prison reforms denied by the British government.

Soviet ships move north of Poland for war games

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, Sept. 10 (AP)—Scores of Soviet warships steamed southward through a dense fog Thursday, apparently ready to start amphibious landing exercises just north of Poland, Danish intelligence reported.

The Danish Defense Intelligence Service said 70-80 ships, including two aircraft-carriers, were navigating in formation at about 10 knots, after massing overnight off vent-spills on the Latvian coast.

The town is 160 kms west of Riga, Latvia's capital, and 575 kms southwest of Leningrad. The ships are passing through waters just off the Byelorussian and Baltic defense areas, where 100,000 soldiers are carrying out what

are believed to be the largest Soviet war games since World War II.

"We think the landing exercise will be near the Baltiysk area, where they should arrive by midday Friday," said an intelligence officer. Baltiysk is just north of the Polish frontier on the eastern side of the Gulf of Danzig.

He said the carriers Kiev and Leningrad, dozens of landing craft and other ships were steaming along the Soviet Union's claimed 12-mile territorial waters limit but that the weather conditions were making observation difficult.

"If they go closer to the coastline, there will be more problems in observing them," he said, adding that the fog also must be making the formation steaming tricky work for the Russians. They're proceeding in formation. If they're not using radar, they're going to have trouble," said the officer who asked not to be named.

He noted that Soviet announcements of the maneuvers have stressed they are being held under wartime conditions, under such conditions, he said, "I would think it would be the sensible thing to do" to maintain radio and radar silence. The Soviets massed their armada in the eastern Baltic Sea in late July and early August, drawing ships from the Soviet northern, Baltic and Black Sea fleets.

The news agency Tass confirmed Western expectations on Aug. 13 with an announcement of planned war game, and signatories to the Helsinki accords of 1975 were notified officially the next day. The United States and other Western countries have accused the Kremlin of violating provisions committing signatories to spell out many details of such operations.

There still has been no specific announcement that landing exercises will take place, although North Atlantic Treaty Organization analysts say the landing ships indicate such plans. Danish intelligence officers say the Baltic fleet, one of the strongest in the Soviet Navy, is known to have its most efficient landing forces and could be training their colleagues from other fleets.

In addition, Western intelligence has spotted several smaller landing exercises since the reinforced forces entered the Baltic, "exercises for the exercise," said the Danish officer. He said his agency also expects such operations as anti-submarine warfare and minesweeping, based on the types of ships participating in the exercise.



ARMOR MOVES: Soviet armor moves to the deployment area at the military exercises of the Byelorussian and Baltic army districts. Soviet maneuverers are going on now on a massive scale.

Waldheim seeks 3rd term

UNITED NATIONS, Sept. 10 (R)—Kurt Waldheim Thursday announced his candidacy for an unprecedented third five-year term as secretary-general of the United Nations.

"If the Security Council and the General Assembly were to wish me to serve for another term, I would consider it a duty and an honor to accept that responsibility," he said in a prepared statement at a news conference.

The 62-year-old Austrian diplomat said he would stand for a normal five-year term. There had been speculation that he might be interested in serving less than the traditional term.

He declined to comment on how concerned he might be by the challenge from the only other announced candidate for the post, Tanzanian Foreign Minister Salim Ahmed Salim, who was proposed by a summit meeting of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) in June.

Waldheim's current term expires at the end of this year. The General Assembly which opens next Tuesday, and the Security Council are expected to take up the question of the succession in December, although it could happen sooner if, for instance, one of the candidates were to drop out.

The president of the Security Council in December will be Ambassador Olara



Kurt Waldheim

Ottoman of Uganda an ardent supporter of Salim. The council's endorsement is necessary for a candidate's election by the General Assembly.

Each of the five permanent members—the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain, France and China—can use its veto to block a candidate, as China did on one secret ballot when Waldheim was up for re-election in 1976.

Murder every 23 minutes U.S. crime rate rises by 9%

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10 (AP)—A murder every 23 minutes and robberies occurred at a rate of one a minute as crime in the United States rose 9 percent last year, the FBI reported Thursday.

The bureau's annual uniform crime report said 13 million serious crimes were reported in a country of 227 million, over 55 percent higher than a decade earlier. According to the report, criminals escaped being apprehended in about four out of five crime cases committed in 1980, with an arrest rate of 19 percent for all serious crimes.

Suspected offenders were taken into custody in 44 percent of all violent crimes, but only 16 percent of suspects were held in crimes against property, which outnumber violent crimes by nearly 10 million, the report said.

Arrests were made in 72 percent of the murder cases and 49 percent of the rapes, but only 14 percent made in cases of motor vehicle thefts and burglaries. The report said the nation's overall crime rate rose four times faster last year than the population.

The report reflected increases last year in each of seven categories of major crimes.

Van Agt forms Dutch cabinet today

THE HAGUE, Netherlands, Sept. 10 (AP)—Leaders of three Dutch political parties agreed Thursday to form a new left-of-center coalition cabinet after three and a half months of negotiations. A government spokesman said.

Queen Beatrix was scheduled to swear in the new government Friday morning, ending four years of center-right rule. Christian Democratic Premier Andries Van Agt will return as head of the new coalition with the leftist Labor Party and the Progressive Democrats '66.

Van Agt's previous coalition with the right-leaning Liberal Party lost its majority in May 26 parliamentary elections. The queen's negotiators who helped forge the new coalition have conceded that the strained partnership could break apart over the issue of stationing new NATO nuclear missiles on Dutch soil. The accord says only that the new cabinet will make a decision during its four-year term, making further postponement likely.

The leaders wrapped up the accord in a two-hour "constitutional council" at Van Agt's residence Thursday morning and charted the government declaration to parliament at the annual opening next week, the spokesman said.

3 killed in cars pileup

STUTTGART, West Germany, Sept. 10 (AP)—Three persons were killed and another eight were injured Thursday in a series of five accidents involving 29 cars on a foggy super highway near this German industrial city, police reported.

The pileup came after a bus from Karlsruhe, a truck and a car collided in thick fog and burst into flames. Police said the vehicles burned out and were total losses. In subsequent accidents, two more cars caught fire, police said.



SPACE DRESS REHEARSAL: Space shuttle Commander Joe Engle (right) and pilot Richard Truly as they meet the press on the launch pad of the spaceship Columbia in Cape Canaveral Wednesday. The two climbed into the spaceship for a 33-hour dress rehearsal.

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